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Traditions live on in Buffalo Harvest

By **Jeremy Wade Shockley**
The Southern Ute Drum

A young bison was blessed and harvested under the traditional guidance of the Fort Lewis Buffalo Council on Saturday, March 17, as part of an annual three-day ceremony.

The spirit of the harvest is to promote food sovereignty and education under the guidance of the Buffalo Council and participating tribal elders.

"It really strengthens us as students," said Amoretta Pringle, president of the Buffalo Council.

The three-day ceremony included a sweat lodge, prayer, bison harvest, and distribution of medicine, finishing in Durango on Sunday with a presentation by longtime Native American activist Russell Means, who voiced the importance of truth and sovereignty to his audience.

This year's ceremony coincides with the 100th year anniversary of Fort Lewis College, according to organizers.

In recent years, the Buffalo Harvest has taken place at the site of the historic Fort Lewis Indian School near Hesperus, Colo. This year, the event moved to a neighboring ranch house owned and operated by Bill and Virginia Crangle. The Crangles have made Hesperus their home since 1974, and have hosted the Buffalo Council on numerous occasions,



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

A young bison awaits his fate in the ceremonial Buffalo Harvest, a traditional ceremony undertaken annually by the Fort Lewis Buffalo Council. Southern Ute tribal member Nathan Strong Elk (below) prepares a blessing for a young bison before the annual Buffalo Harvest begins.



giving them a place to perform the ceremonies.

Manuelito "Chief" Garbiso is one of the more recent members

to the council and a Fort Lewis alumnus.

"Basically everything goes back to the community," he said, explaining that the meat will be parceled out to families who qualify, and whatever remains will be used for fundraising events, cooking the bison meat to benefit the community.

The young bison was trucked in from Oklahoma. Raised on a ranch, he was culled from a herd numbering in the hundreds. Michael Mithlo, owner of the company Mighty Good Bison, has delivered a buffalo to the council for the traditional harvest on numerous occasions.

Mithlo, a pragmatic and knowledgeable man with a clear understanding of the butchering process, is of the Comanche and Chiricahue Apache nations. He said it's good to keep a few bulls in together and let them fight, because it helps build testosterone. He also noted that thick meat on the ribs is a sign of a



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Southern Ute flag to fly in Capitol



Members of the Southern Ute Veterans Association Howard Richards Sr., Rod Grove and Larry Tucker gathered in the Southern Ute Veterans Park on Monday, March 19 to perform a blessing on a Southern Ute tribal flag prior to its dedication at the Colorado State Capitol in Denver on Thursday, March 29. Tucker performed the ceremonial blessing.

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Bishop visits tribe



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

On Wednesday, March 14, Bishop Fernando Isern of the Catholic Church's Diocese of Pueblo paid a visit to the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. The Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council honored the visiting dignitary with a Pendleton blanket in the Leonard C. Burch Building's Hall of Warriors.



News in brief

IGNACIO

Library to host Internet safety class

Join the Ignacio Community Library from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, March 24 for an informative class on computer safety. Learn how to protect yourself from outside threats while using the World Wide Web. The class is free to attend, but space is limited. Please call the Ignacio Community Library at 970-764-7908 to sign up.

Library seeks art contest submissions

Help our community become aware of how important our water is in Colorado by sharing your talents. Please submit a short poem or story with artwork (photograph, drawing, painting) on a single page. Please keep entries to an 8.5-by-11-inch page with your name and phone number attached. If you are a student, please include your current grade. Winners will be chosen and prizes will be awarded. Submit your work in person, by mail or email by Monday, March 26 to: Ignacio Community Library, 470 Goddard Ave., P.O. Box 886, Ignacio, CO 81137, or email dcCook@ignaciolibrary.org.

Spring break field trips planned

The Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe has scheduled field trips during spring break on Tuesday, April 3; Wednesday, April 4; and Thursday, April 5. The cost of each trip is \$10; Southern Ute tribal members and descendants are free. Space will be limited. For more information on times and availability, call the club at 970-563-4753.

Ignacio schools plan Relay For Life dance

On April 20, the Ignacio schools' Relay for Life Team will be hosting the fourth annual Family Dance. This year promises to be even bigger and better than years past. As in the past few years, the event will have a great D.J. (Oscar Cosio), a bake sale, and visitors will have the chance to design a luminaire for loved ones who have battled cancer. The luminaries will be displayed at the Relay for Life event on Friday, July 13. New this year, organizers will also have door prize drawing donation for some one-of-a-kind Bobcat collectibles.

Thought of being a member of Tribal Council?

Attention tribal members ages 13 to 19 years of age: Are you concerned about issues facing tribal youth? Committed to make a difference in our community that will have a positive impact on the tribal youth? Then the Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council may be for you. Become a leader, role model and voice for the tribal youth. For more information, contact McKean Walton at 970-563-0100 ext. 2314. Sponsored by the Southern Ute Tribal Council.

Explorers to host yard sale

On Saturday, April 28, the Ignacio Elementary Explorers Club will be hosting a yard sale in the parking lot at Ignacio Elementary School. You can rent space for \$15. All the profits from your sales are yours. If you would like to reserve a space, please contact Deb Otten at 970-563-0661.

SunUte to host softball leagues

The SunUte Community Center will be starting men's, women's, and co-ed softball leagues. Registration deadline is April 2, and games will begin April 9. Registration fee is \$300 (league games and tournament play). Sign up at SunUte. If you have any questions, please call Kayla Wing at 970-563-0214.

Seeking Southern Ute, Native American elders

You are invited to come and share your culture and traditional expertise with the students of the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy. You can choose the group size you will work with. You will be compensated with a stipend. For more information, call Georgia McKinley at 970-563-0253 ext. 2701.

Free bison meat available to tribal members

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Division of Wildlife Resource Management maintains a small herd of bison for the Tribe's ceremonial, cultural and dietary needs. As a service to the tribal membership, the division makes available bison meat to enrolled Southern Ute tribal members free of charge. Tribal bison are grass-fed at low herd density and are free of artificial hormones and other synthetic chemicals. Bison meat is naturally low in cholesterol and an excellent, healthy alternative to beef. If you are an enrolled Southern Ute tribal member interested in obtaining bison meat for personal use, call the Division of Wildlife at 970-563-0130. Quantities and cuts of meat available may be limited.

The Southern Ute Environmental Programs is offering free home radon testing to Tribal members. Please call Peter Dietrich for more information or to schedule an appointment. Priority to Elders and those with infants in their homes.

970-563-0135 ext. 2238,
pdieth@southern-ute.nsn.us

Many Moons Ago



Jim Newton/SU DRUM archives

10 years ago

Southern Utes Howard Richards, Dewitte Baker and Austin Box, along with an unidentified Northern Cheyenne veteran and Terry Knight (Ute Mountain Ute), made up the Color Guard to open the seventh annual Spring Buffalo Feast and Honoring Ceremony. The feast took place March 19, 2002, at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science. The Northern Cheyenne Tribe donated the buffalo meat for the feast.

This photo first appeared in the March 22, 2002, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



photo archives/SU DRUM

30 years ago

Top water officials from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Native American Rights Fund, and other agencies met in the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council chambers to discuss the progress of the Animas-La Plata Project with the council.

This photo first appeared in the March 26, 1982, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



Attention Tribal Members and Casino Patrons !

Beginning April 2nd the West Front Entrance of Sky Ute Casino will be designated as a

NO PARKING ZONE!

For our guest safety we will begin this procedure. Emergency vehicles must be able to easily enter this area. Also we will implement additional Southern Ute Tribal Elder parking near the front outside circle of the north parking area. All additional special parking areas will be identified. If you are a Southern Ute Tribal Elder and would like to receive a special parking permit to use one of these designated areas around the casino please see the Player Center for details.

All violator's vehicles who do not have a special permit for these areas will be ticketed and towed at owners expense! If you have any questions please call the General Manager's office at 970.563.1351.

THE CASINO APPRECIATES YOUR COOPERATION

Bring Your Own Basket.



Meet the Bunny as he rides in on a fire truck. Hunt eggs in the **SunUte Playground**

Fields of Eggs for Ages 0-3, 4-8, 9-12

Easter Egg Hunt

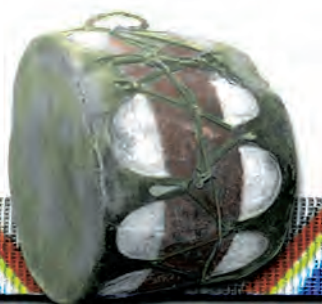
10:00 AM Saturday
April 7, 2012

SunUte Playground

563-0246 x3301

Southern Ute Police Department





Catching up



photo Suzi Richards/SU Drum

A group of Southern Ute tribal elders enjoy a lunch together at the Multi-purpose Facility on Tuesday, March 13.

This is your language

'ícha-'ara m̄ni 'apaghapi 'ura-'ay

By Tom Givón
Ute Language Program

4. The sounds and writing of Ute: Consonants

púupa-aqh núuchi pə'ə-ta-vaa-na

Unlike vowels, which are open sounds with relatively no obstruction of the air passage, consonants are typically pronounced with some obstruction of the air passage in the mouth. Consonants are classified by four phonetic features.

First, the location of the obstruction, or **point of articulation**, this could be anywhere from the very front (lips) to the very back of the air passage, the voice-box itself (glottis). Going from front to back, Ute consonants can be produced with closure at the lips (**'labial'**), teeth (**'dental'**), hard palate (**'palatal'**), soft palate (**'velar'**), back palate (**'uvular'**) or the glottis itself (**'glottal'**). Obstructions inside the mouth are produced by the front, middle or back of tongue coming up towards the roof of the mouth.

Second, consonants are classified by the **degree of obstruction** ('degree of closure') of the air passage. Such closure could be **complete**, producing consonants that are called **'stops'**. It could be only **partial**, with the tongue or lips creating a rasping air turbulence with consonants that are called **'fricatives'**. Or it could be very **slight**, producing consonants that are called **'glides'**.

Third, the air stream can move through the nose rather than through the mouth, in which case the consonant is a **nasal** one.

Lastly, consonants may be **'voiced'** or **'voiceless'**. A voiced consonant is produce when the voice-box ('glottis') vibrates simultaneously during the articulation ('closure') of the consonant. A voiceless consonant is produced without such vibration.

The inventory of all Ute consonants classified by the four phonetic features is given in the table below.

UTE CONSONANTS point of articulation						
manner	labial	dental	palatal	velar	uvular	glottal
voiceless stop	p	t	ch	k	[q]	'
voiceless fric.		s		[kh]	[qh]	
voiced fric.	v	r		g	[gh]	
nasal	m	n				
glide	w		y			

In the space below we will describe all Ute consonants, with examples of common Ute words in which these consonants are found.

/p/ (voiceless bi-labial stop)

/v/ (voiced bi-labial fricative)

The consonant /p/ can be seen in Ute words such as: *páa* 'water', *'áapa-chí* 'boy', *t̄v̄v̄-p̄* 'earth', *pía-n* 'my mother', *'ipi-chí* 'red clay'. Historically, /p/ used to be found only in word-initial positions, alternating with /v/ in mid-word positions.

initial/voiceless	medial/voiced
<i>pía-pí</i> 'female'	<i>kava-vía-pí</i> 'mare'
<i>paḡ</i> 'fish/trout'	<i>sá-vaḡ</i> 'white fish'
<i>p̄áa-n</i> 'my kin'	<i>núu-v̄áa-n</i> 'my Ute kin'

However, at both word-medial and word-final – that is, before a silent final vowel – both /p/ and /v/ can be found now, and can indeed form minimal pairs. Thus compare:

voiceless	voiced
<i>'ipi-chí</i> 'red clay'	<i>'ivi-chí</i> 'stick'
<i>'áapa-chí</i> 'boy'	<i>'áavas</i> 'haba beans' (Sp.)
<i>pía-pí</i> 'female'	<i>pa'a-ví</i> 'insect'
<i>páa-p̄</i> 'blood'	<i>'dav̄</i> 'now'

/t/ (voiceless dental stop)

/r/ (voiced dental tap)

The consonant /t/ can be seen in the Ute words such as *tua-chí* 'child', *t̄v̄i-ȳ* 'deer', *'avat̄* 'big', *túu-kwa-r̄* 'black', *táa* 'shirt', *toghoy-aqh* 'it is good', 'thank you'. Like /p/, above, /t/ used to appear, historically, only in word-initial positions, and alternated with the sound /r/ in mid-word positions. To this day, /r/ is not found at the beginning of words. It is pronounced like the Spanish /r/ in words such as *para* ('for') or *volver* ('return').

Examples of /r/ in common Ute words are: *sari-chí* 'dog', *'uru* 'that' (obj.), *kar̄-nap̄* 'chair', *sá-gha-r̄* 'white' *p̄eri* (they) are walking'. Traces of the old variation between /t/ and /r/ are still seen in examples such as:

initial/voiceless	medial/voiced
<i>tuachí</i> 'child'	<i>núu-ruachí</i> 'baby'
<i>t̄v̄i-ȳ</i> 'deer'	<i>sá-r̄v̄i-ȳ</i> 'white deer'
<i>táa</i> 'shirt'	<i>'aka-ráa</i> 'red shirt'

/k/ (voiceless velar stop)

/g/ (voiced velar fricative)

The consonant /k/ can be found in Ute words such as *kani* 'house', *'aka-gha-r̄* 'red', *puku-n* 'my horse' *kuchu-puk̄* 'cow', *káchí* 'no'. Historically, /k/ used to appear only in word-initial positions, and alternated with its voiced counterpart /g/ in word-medial positions.

Traces of this old alternation can be still found in examples like:

initial	medial
<i>kani</i> 'house'	<i>núu-gan(i)</i> 'tipi'
<i>kwana-chí</i> 'eagle'	<i>sí-gwana-chí</i> 'hawk'
<i>kava</i> 'horse'	<i>sá-gava</i> 'white horse'

To this day, the consonant /g/ still cannot appear in word-initial position. In midword in Ute, it is pronounced as in the Spanish words *pagar* ('pay') or *luego* ('then').

[kh] (voiceless velar fricative)

This consonant is a less-common variant of /k/, and can be found in Ute words such as *ma-vaa-tukh̄w̄a* 'going) that-a-way', *'uwa-vaa-chukh̄w̄a* 'going) towards him/her', *kani-ruk̄h̄w̄a* 'under the house'.

[q] (voiceless uvular stop)

[qh] (voiceless uvular fricative/affricate)

[gh] (voiced uvular fricative)

These three consonants are, historically, predicted variants of /k/ or /g/. None of them exist in English or Spanish, but [qh] and [gh] can be found in either German (*ach*) or French (*Paris*), respectively. These 'harsh' sounds can be found in Ute words such as *pana-qa-r̄* 'shining', 'money', *'aka-gha-r̄* 'red', *sá-gha-r̄* 'white' (inan.), *qoqh* 'bull-snake', *toghoy-aqh* 'thanks', 'it's good', *toghov̄i* 'rattlesnake', *páaqhachí* 'hole', *'agho-cí* 'dish'.

In the next column we will continue describing the rest of the Ute consonants.

Toghoy-aqh. 'v̄v̄sa-gha.

The purpose of this column is to share with the tribal membership Ute language materials from the Ute 102 classes sponsored by the Cultural Preservation Department.

Núu-'apaghapi 102 class notes:

Ute words and phrases

WORDS

'avachí 'Apache'	'áa-tawa-y 'yawning' (?)
kukwachí 'Spanish'	'avi(y) 'lying', 'sleeping', kwavi(y) (PL form)
k̄machí 'Comanche' ('other')	m̄-s̄v̄v̄-n 'my finger'
m̄r̄káchí 'White/Gringo'	t̄a-s̄v̄v̄-n 'my toe'
navayh-t̄-m̄ 'Mixed-Blood'	páana 'bread' (Sp. <i>pan</i>)
núuchí 'Ute', 'Indian', 'person'	pariȳ-gumaavi 'bull elk'
pagha-wiichí 'Navajo' ('walking-knife')	p̄é 'road', 'trail', 'path'
túu-nigichí 'Black'	puku-gwa-t̄ 'horse-owner'
píinu 'Ignacio' (Sp. <i>pino</i>)	sá-gha-r̄ 'white' (inan.)
píinu múuchí 'Southern Ute'	sá-gha-r̄-m̄ 'white' (an. sg.)
pá-núuchí 'Southern Paiute'	sá-gha-qa-t̄-m̄ 'white' (an. pl.)
sari-t̄ka-chí 'Shoshone' ('dog-eater')	s̄tiya 'watermelon' (Sp. <i>sandía</i>)
nas̄etaay-'ay 'be sad'	kanyeeruchí 'sheep' (Sp. <i>carnero</i>)
sivaatuchí 'goat' (Sp. <i>chivato</i>)	t̄ḡy 'be hungry'
túu-kwa-r̄ 'black' (inan.)	t̄v̄v̄-vwa-n̄ 'on earth'

PHRASES

nas̄etaay-'ayi-n	'I am sad'
t̄é-'ayi-n	'I'm OK'
núu-ruachí 'avi-'nap̄-vwa-n̄ 'avi(y)	'the/a baby is lying on the bed'
k̄uchu t̄ekuavi t̄eka-'ini-kh	's/he is cooking buffalo meat'
páa-y 'ivi-kwa-y	's/he is drinking lots of water' (?)
'ava'n̄ 'ivi-mi	's/he drinks a lot (liquor)'
na'achichí p̄ra-av qopogh-ti-kya	'the girl broke her arm'
nú' pach̄-av kani-vaghay-kwa-vaani	'I'm going to visit my daughter'
n̄' paḡ ch̄fira-qa-t̄ t̄é-'ásti'i	'I like fried fish'
núu-ruachí tuk̄wi-y-'ay	'the baby is bashful'
p̄ischi-u nana-chigya-gha-y	'(the) kids are racing'
t̄ḡv̄-n, '̄m̄-aa núu-sumay?	'My friend, are you thinking in Ute?'
máas 'aka-paa-y 'ivi(y)	's/he (vis.) is drinking pop' (lit. 'red water')
'uwas táa-y chagha-y	's/he (invis.) is sewing a shirt'
t̄v̄v̄ p̄ni-kyari	'(s/he) is sitting & watching the land'
núu-ruachi-u yagha-qa-y	'the babies are crying'
k̄wi-yaghat̄-m̄ paḡ t̄eka-gha-y	'the bears are eating fish'
táa-ta'wachi-u p̄ischi-u-wa kava-miya-qa-chi-m kiyasi-kya-y	'the men and the boys are playing with the horse-doll'
p̄ischi-u kwavi(y)	'the boys are lying (down)'
s̄i-gya-r̄-m̄ p̄i(y)	'the grey one (an.) is sleeping'
t̄é-t̄eka-ghari	'(s/he) is sitting & eating well'

Powwow Trails

Hozhoni Days Powwow

March 30 – 31

Whalen Gym, Fort Lewis College • Durango, CO

Contact: Myra Britton

Phone: 970-247-3251 or 970-247-7221

Web: www.fortlewis.edu/hozhoni-days-powwow/home.aspx

Easter Powwow

April 6 – 8

99 Great Plains Road • Arapahoe, WY

Contact: Claudette C'Bearing

Phone: 307-840-4185

Email: dchair1201@gmail.com

Spring Contest Powwow and Indian Art Market

April 20 – 22

CSU Moby Arena, Elizabeth and Shields intersection • Fort Collins, CO

Contact: Northern Colorado Intertribal Powwow Assoc.

Phone: 970.498.0290 or ncipa@fortnet.org

Web: www.fortnet.org/PowWow/NCIPA_powwow.html

Gathering of Nations Powwow

April 26 – 28

University of New Mexico's University Arena • Albuquerque, NM

Phone: 505-836-2810

Web: www.gatheringofnations.com



The Kidney Corner: *Ultrasound of the kidneys*

By Dr. Mark Saddler
Durango Nephrology Associates

There are various ways to image the kidneys, ultrasound being the most common.

Ultrasound is a method of imaging that uses high-frequency sound waves to “bounce” off internal body structures. The returning sound waves are then reconstructed into images that can be used diagnostically. The pitch of these sound waves is too high for the human ear to hear (around 2 megahertz, the highest most human ears can hear is about 20 kilohertz).

Ultrasound machines may be portable, used at the bedside, and have become an invaluable tool for imaging fetuses in the womb, heart valves, internal organs and so forth. Ultrasound imaging is very safe and is not known to cause any harmful effects, even to the unborn fetus.

Ultrasound of the kidneys yields valuable information about the structure of the kidney, but little about its function. Some of my patients are surprised when I tell them that even though they have chronic kidney disease, their kidney ultrasound looks nearly normal.

However, ultrasound imaging



may still be very useful in patients with chronic kidney disease. For one thing, it gives valuable clues about how long the kidney disease has been present. This is because longstanding kidney disease tends to cause scarring in the kidneys, which shows up on ultrasound as increased brightness, or “echogenicity.”

A highly echogenic, or bright-looking, kidney has probably had problems for a long time, and this knowledge can be very valuable when setting up treatment for patients with chronic kidney disease.

Occasionally, ultrasound can demonstrate the underlying cause for kidney disease. For example, obstruction of the urine is usually easily detectable by ultrasound:

The collecting system becomes dilated by the obstruction, a condition called “hydronephrosis.”

Of all causes of chronic kidney disease, this may be the most important to detect, because relief of the obstruction can result in improvement or even complete correction of the kidney function. The most common cause of urine obstruction in men is prostate enlargement.

Ultrasound can also detect tumors and kidney stones, though its accuracy for these conditions is not as high as CT scanning, so if a tumor or stone is suspected, a CT scan is often preferentially requested.

A refinement of ultrasound, called “Doppler,” can be used to look at flow in arteries and veins. This has been used to detect narrowing of the kidney arteries, though the usefulness of ultrasound in looking for this disease is controversial.

Ultrasound is also used to image the kidneys for procedures, most notably kidney biopsy. In this procedure, a small piece of kidney tissue is removed using a needle. We now usually use ultrasound to guide the needle for this procedure. This has resulted in improved tissue and greater safety for patients undergoing this procedure.

New campaign aims to educate Colorado smokers

Media release
Colorado Dept. of Health

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has launched a national education campaign depicting the harsh reality of illness and damage real people suffer as a result of smoking and exposure to secondhand smoke.

The ads show the toll smoking-related illnesses take on real people and their loved ones. Viewers in Colorado will see the ads from March 19 to June 4.

The “Tips from Former Smokers” campaign features compelling stories of former smokers living with smoking-related diseases and disabilities. The ads focus on smoking-related lung and throat cancer, heart attack, stroke, Buerger’s disease and asthma. Smokers who quit also pass along tips about what helped them succeed.

“Though they may be tough to watch, the ads show real people living with real, painful consequences from smoking,” said CDC Director Dr. Thomas R. Frieden. “There is sound

evidence that supports the use of these types of hard-hitting images and messages to encourage smokers to quit, keep children from ever beginning to smoke and drastically reduce the harm caused by tobacco.”

“We identified tobacco as one of Colorado’s 10 winnable battles because it is the leading cause of preventable death in our state,” said Dr. Chris Urbina, executive director and chief medical officer of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. “This campaign educates the public on the serious and long-term dangers of smoking and secondhand smoke for individuals and their families.”

Despite the known dangers of tobacco use, nearly one in five adults in the U.S. and one in six adults in Colorado smoke. Forty percent of Coloradans report unwanted exposure to secondhand smoke, and more than 30 percent of children are exposed to tobacco smoke at home. More than 4,300 Coloradans each year lose their lives to smoking-related

diseases, and for every one person who dies, another 20 live with a smoking-related illness.

Still, nearly 70 percent of smokers say they want to quit, and half try to quit each year.

Many of the ads are tagged with 1-800-QUIT-NOW, a toll-free number that directs callers to the Colorado QuitLine to access free support for quitting. The Colorado QuitLine is a free telephone coaching service that connects people who want to quit smoking to an experienced quit coach. The quit coach works with the smoker to set up a personal quit plan and provides tips and support to increase the chances of quitting tobacco for the long term.

Along with individualized coaching, the telephone service offers a free supply of nicotine patches. The telephone coaching service is available seven days a week, in English and Spanish. Online quit support is also available at www.smokefree.gov.

For more information on the “Tips from Former Smokers” campaign, visit www.cdc.gov/quitting/tips.

United Blood Services blood drive dates and locations

March 26

12:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Pine Valley Foursquare Church Fellowship Hall
1328 CR 50, Bayfield

March 29

10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Pagosa Springs High School Music Room
800 S. 8th St., Pagosa Springs

March 30

1:30 – 5 p.m.
St. Columba Catholic Church Parish Hall
1830 East 2nd Ave., Durango

March 27

10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Sun Ray Park & Casino Stingrays Banquet Room
39 CR 5568, Farmington, N.M.

11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Jicarilla Apache Health Care Facility Rooms 308-309
12000 Stone Lake Rd.
Jicarilla Service Unit
12000 Stone Lake Rd., Dulce, N.M.

April 2

1:30 – 5:30 p.m.
Ignacio Community Vida Peabody Conference Rm.
14324 Hwy 172, Ignacio

10 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Mercy Regional Medical Center Conference Rooms A & B
1010 Three Springs Blvd.
Durango

3 – 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church of Aztec Fellowship Hall
700 Navajo St., Aztec, N.M.

April 4

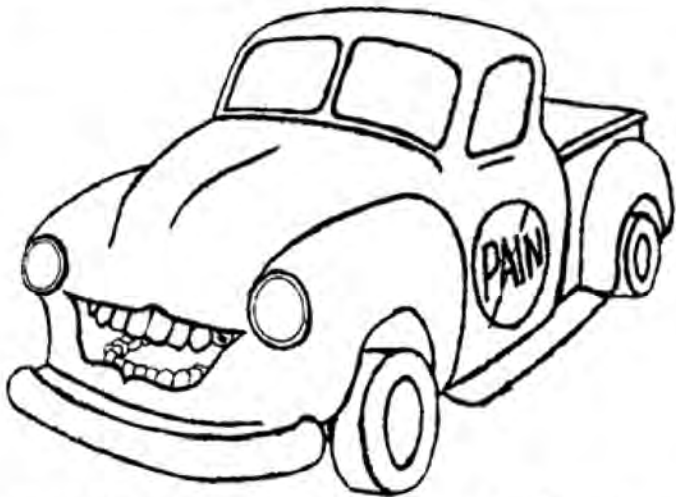
1:30 – 6 p.m.
Riverview Elementary Gymnasium
2900 N. Mesa Ave., Durango

AmeriCorps on the trail



photo courtesy Lynelle Stricherz/Ignacio School District

In honor of AmeriCorps week March 10 – 18, the 16 local volunteers sponsored by Southern Ute Community Action Programs took a day to help with work on the Bobcat Trail that connects Ignacio High School to the mesa to the west on Wednesday, March 14.



Off Piedra Road — Look for “Smiles” the Red Truck

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New patients receive a FREE Sonicare with exam & x-rays

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Pagosa Smiles.com
731-DOCS (3627)



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Studying Ute culture firsthand



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Tour guide Jonathan Canty (right) talks to Ignacio High School students as they visited the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum on Friday, March 16. The English class is continuing its studies of the Utes by reading "When the Legends Die" by Hal Borland, the story of Thomas Black Bull, who vowed to never return to the white man's world. The 1972 movie based on the book was filmed primarily in the Ignacio area, with appearances of Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council and tribal members.

Dorothy Gore Scholarship available

The Dorothy Gore Scholarship sponsored by PEO Chapter CS is available to any La Plata County graduating senior girl who has shown academic promise, leadership potential, serves her community and has at least a 3.0 cumulative grade-point average. This \$1000 scholarship honors Dorothy Gore, a retired, long-time Durango teacher. Although priority is given to applicants to Cottey College, all applicants to an academic college are considered. Cottey College is a two-year women's college in Nevada, Missouri, owned by the P.E.O. Sisterhood. Applications are available at high school counseling offices or by requesting a copy from PEO Chapter CS Philanthropic Committee at jeaninegae@gmail.com. The application deadline is April 16.

Johnson O'Malley Committee Meeting

Monday, April 2 at 5:30 p.m.
Southern Ute Education Dept. Building

Meeting open to parents/legal guardians of Native American students K-12 in the Ignacio and Bayfield School District. If you need more information call the Southern Ute Education Department contact Ellen S. Baker 970-563-0235 ext. 2793.

Education update

Education announces GED test dates

The Department of Education would like to announce the GED test dates for the upcoming months: April 6, May 4 and June 1. The test is held the first Friday of every month at the Southern Ute Education Building at 330 Burns Ave. Registration and payments are due by Tuesday before the test. Scholarships are available for Native Americans who live within 50 miles of the service area, spend 12 hours in class, score a 450 on practice tests and submit paperwork two weeks in advance. For more information, call Pine River Community Learning Center at 970-563-0681 or Donna Broad at 970-563-0237 or 970-749-1953.

The GED test will be changing January 2014. All previous test scores will be thrown out and students will need to retake all 5 sections. It is important that students complete all 5 sections of their GED before the January 2014 date.

Also, the Education Department has an online GED Academy classroom that is available for at home GED test preparation. Please call Donna Broad at 970-563-0237 ext 2784 or 749-1953 for passwords. There is a minimum time requirement each week to be allowed to use this program.

Education Dept. community class for April

- **Dress and ribbon shirt workshop: Saturday, April 21, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

Participants will learn to measure, cut out and sew a simple ribbon dress, or a ribbon shirt. Participants will receive the material and the ribbons to complete your project. Participants must know how to operate a sewing machine and have basic sewing skills.

For more information, and to sign up, call Luana Herrera at the Department of Education 970-563-0237.

Prepping for transition



Members from Ignacio's education community gathered with students and parents from the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy at the Sky Ute Casino Resort for a luncheon on Tuesday, March 20 to discuss the upcoming transition ceremonies for academy students. Julie Stone, junior high teacher with the Southern Ute Education Department, presented an interactive website for students and parents to track school records and student progress online.

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Spring Break schedules

Ignacio School District: April 2 – 9
Southern Ute Indian Academy & Head Start: April 2 – 6
Bayfield School District: March 26 – 30
Ignacio School District schools will return on Tuesday, April 10

STEM after-school open house at The Southern Ute Education Department



After school March 28 from 2:15 – 4:45 p.m.
Similar open house STEM programs will run the last Wednesday of each month, same time, and same place:

- Last Spring session – April 25
- 2 Summer sessions are in the works!

Is your 3rd-8th grader into science? Are they not sure what to do after-school?

Come discover your inner scientist in this fun and interactive experiment-filled open house program!
FREE FOR SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL STUDENTS. \$10 EACH FEE PER SESSION FOR JOM STUDENTS.

Believe it or not, Durango Discovery Museum after-school programs have taught students new science concepts and vocabulary, enhanced students' science skills and allowed them to have loads of fun! The tradition will continue, with **science, technology, engineering and math (STEM)** programs at the Southern Ute Education Department one Wednesday a month during Early Release. March's STEM program will focus on ecosystems, climate patterns, and geography. Students will focus on locating countries, making flags, and building their own ecosystem. They will use the computer lab at the beginning of the workshop ... so students be on time please! Do-it-yourselfers, watch out – here comes the next generation of inventors!

The Durango Discovery Museum's education staff will guide students through inquiry and hands-on activities. Parents are more than welcome to come and enjoy the fun! We'll meet at the Southern Ute Education Building the last Wednesday of every month from 2:15-4:45 p.m. Stop in, say hello, and stay as long (or as short) as you'd like! Discovery Museum classes have sparked students' interest in science, engineering, math and technology, and they have inspired students to notice, wonder and learn. Parents, asked in the past, have responded that their children enjoyed the experience, their children became more interested in science while learning new vocabulary, and they were highly likely to bring their children to other programs offered by the Museum. Join us and have some fun.

Student participants give these programs 2 thumbs up!
spark curiosity, ignite imagination, and power exploration

For further questions please contact Sarah Margoles at the Discovery Museum 970-403-1863, sarah@durangodiscovery.org or Carrie Vogel at Southern Ute, 970-563-0235, cvoegel@southern-ute.nsn.us

Announcing the 2012 Young Native Writers Essay Contest

The Holland & Knight Charitable Foundation is proud to welcome entries for the Young Native Writers Essay Contest, which we organize each year in partnership with the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of the American Indian. This essay contest for Native American high school students is designed to encourage young Native Americans to think about the most important issues affecting their tribal communities, as well as ways in which challenges can be addressed. Hundreds of Native American high school students participate each year. While all participants receive a Certificate of Honor for submitting their essays and adding their voices to this important dialogue in Indian Country, the five first-place winners are awarded an all-expenses-paid "Scholar Week" trip to Washington, D.C., accompanied by a teacher or mentor nominated by each winner, to visit the National Museum of the American Indian and other prominent Washington, D.C. sites. Each winner also receives a \$2,500 college scholarship. Please help us spread the word about this year's contest by forwarding this email to groups and individuals who might be interested in submitting an essay. The deadline for submissions is April 30, 2012. We look forward to reading this year's essays! For more details please visit: <http://www.nativewriters.hklaw.com/>





Little Shop returns



Colorado University's Little Shop of Physics visited students from the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy and Ignacio High School on Tuesday, March 13 at their schools. The Little Shop of Physics showed the students different things one can do with simple materials, demonstrating scientific principles from statics to magnetism.

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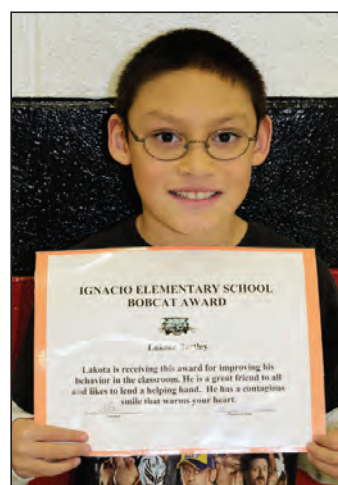
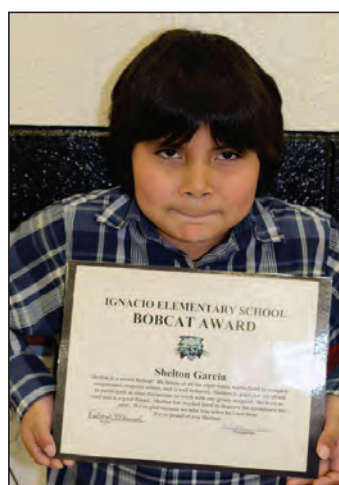
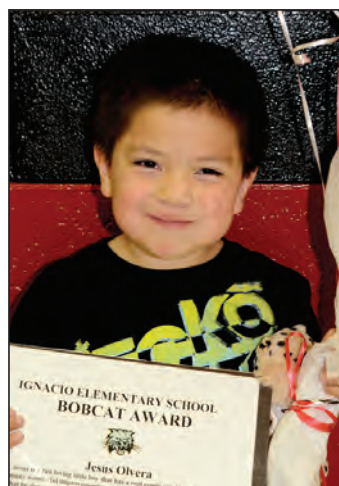
Much more than a bake sale



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students raised money once again during their annual Treasure Bake Sale, which boasts much more than just baked goods. Kitchen appliances, books and handmade crafts were among the items for sale as part of the fundraising efforts, which took place on Thursday, March 15, in the Hall of Warriors of the Leonard C. Burch Tribal Administration Building. All proceeds go to help support the Shining Mountain Diabetes Program. This year's raffle winner was Molly Bellino.

Bobcats of the Month



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

These Ignacio Elementary School students were honored as Bobcats of the Month for March for their helpfulness, attitude in class and willingness to learn: Thomas Gonzales, Kaylee Balatchu, Grace Gonzales, Jesus Olvera, Gunner Coyote, Kristopher White, SaRya Coyote, Christopher Martinez, Samarah Olguin, Jazmin Carmenoros, Ayona Hight, Damitre Burch, Shelton Garcia and Lakota Bartley.

Young artists corner



photo courtesy Dustin Sanchez

Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy student Dustin Sanchez took this photo during a group of rainforest animals' recent visit to the SunUte Community Center. The coatimundi (pictured) and the tarantula were Sanchez's favorite animals at the presentation, he said.



photo Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio head coach Ardie Eleck (right) trots out the Opening Day 2012 batting order towards home plate in Farmington, N.M., on Thursday, March 15.

Cats .333 thru first weekend

By Joel Priest
Special to the Drum

Ten extra-base hits helped the Ignacio baseball team administer a St. Patrick's Day smacking, making it easier to bury the season-opening beatdown incurred on the Ides of March.

And behind Paco Mounts' complete-game pitching performance, the Bobcats made short work of San Juan Basin League familiars Dove Creek, 12 runs to 2, in closing out the Piedra Vista Tri-States JV Invitational in Farmington, N.M., and recording their first victory of the 2012 season.

"I was pleased with the boys," said head coach Ardie Eleck. "They hit the ball really well. Struck out eight times, four coming on called third strikes, so we've got to get the kids a little more aggressive."

Having cracked a long RBI-double to center on Worley Field at Civitan Park late in the day-one 19-4 shelling courtesy the 4A Aztec (N.M.) JV — which started an eighth-grader at the hot corner — Ignacio senior short-stop Tyler Young ripped the Bulldogs for a single, double, and homer on the same diamond.

Classmate Jesse Vigil, manning first base, avenged his initial 1-for-3 outing with a 4-for-4 day versus DC, including a pair of doubles, and sophomore Clayton Jefferson (who debuted at third base) knocked a two-bagger and a three-bagger to keep Dove Creek reeling.

"Paco threw 70 pitches, struck out nine," said Eleck, having first used Mounts for an inning of relief of Opening Day starter Sonny Sanchez (three more arms later saw stints against the Tigers), "and gave up just three



photo Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

First on the hill in 2012, Ignacio senior pitcher Sonny Sanchez deals during the Bobcats' opener on Thursday, March 15 in Farmington, N.M., against the Aztec (N.M.) JV.

hits and walked one. Pitched very well for us."

The Bobcats, ravaged by last spring's graduation, showed good progression from the first-through-third games — a 7-4 loss to 3A Shiprock, N.M., went down Day 2 — of their new itinerary, with Eleck pleased to utilize nearly all his 16-player roster in the process.

Dove Creek, with Jessica Heaton and Zoey Young in its lineup, had fallen to 4A Miyamu-

ra (Gallup, N.M.) by a 10-9 result on Day 2 to set up the unscheduled meeting between SJB� foes.

Up next for IHS will be a trip to non-league Sargent on March 27 (3 p.m. start), with some time off then before their circuit opener April 10 (4:30 p.m.) at home against Dove Creek. Non-league action Mar. 22 at home against 3A Pagosa Springs was completed after the Drum went to print.

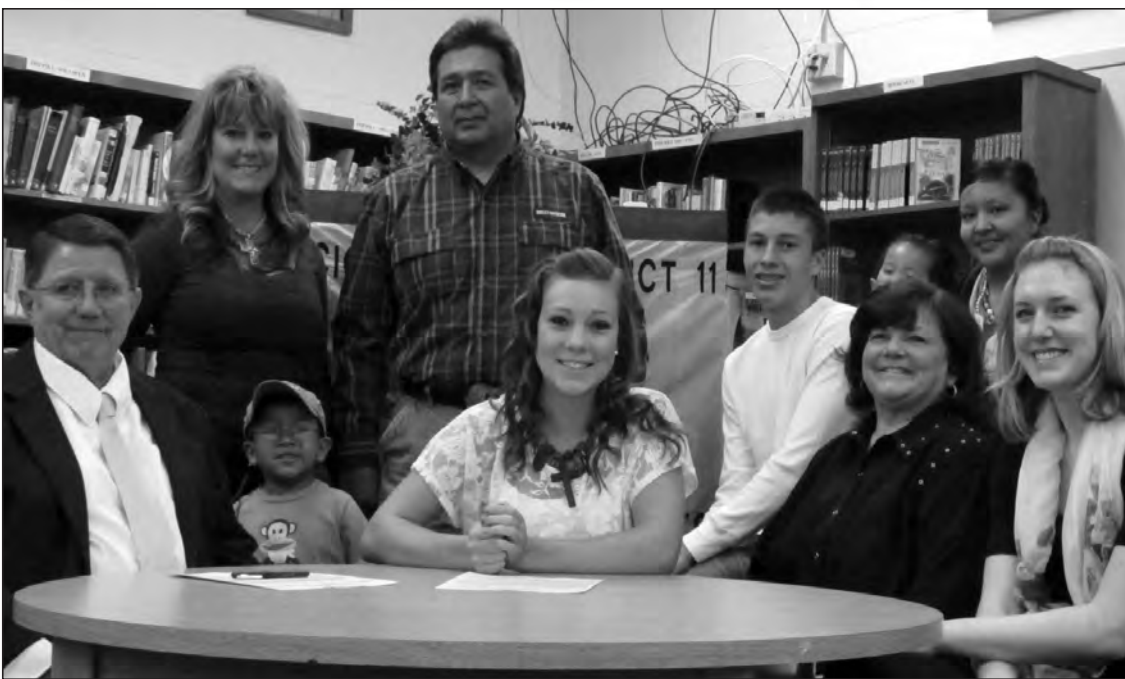


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Ignacio senior Rylie Jefferson (center) after fully signing her national letter of intent on Thursday, March 15 to become a member of Colorado Northwestern Community College Spartan Volleyball this fall. Joining her for the moment, held in the Ignacio High library, were (standing, left to right) mother Teena Jefferson, nephew Chad Benally, father Robert Jefferson, brother Clayton Jefferson, niece Haiden Benally, and sister Tristian Benally; (seated, left to right) CNCC Head Coach Richard Barker, Rylie Jefferson, IHS Athletic Director Melanie Taylor, and IHS Head Coach Bayli Stillwell.

CNCC Ryl-ed up for Jefferson!

Setter signs with Spartans

By Joel Priest
Special to the Drum

Hailing from Colorado's northwest, Bayli Stillwell was surely sought by colleges region-wide.

And it wasn't all that long ago the Volleycats' youthful leader signed her name on a line, declaring where she wanted to prolong her student-athlete career. On Thursday, March 15, Stillwell experienced for the first time as a mentor the sight a pupil committing to an in-state program as Ignacio High senior setter Rylie Jefferson autographed her letter of intent to suit up this fall for the Rangely-based Colorado Northwestern Community College Spartans.

"I'm excited for her to be able to do that," Stillwell said. "And I just know she has so much fun ahead of her — hard-work fun — and the friendships and experiences that she'll have ... are priceless. She deserves that."

With future coach Richard Barker attending the gathering inside the IHS library, Jefferson signed her letter shortly after 8 a.m.

"What really sold me was the atmosphere. I'd been up there last weekend and saw the campus, met with the girls," Jefferson said, "and got acquainted, played with them, and we meshed well. I felt comfortable up there. It was nice, and he gave me a good offer. So I took it; no way to pass it up."

"We have tried to reach out to this corner of the state, and being a community college in western Colorado ... this is our community," Barker said.

The community includes Jefferson, parents Robert and Teena and the family, but also others around, including 4A Montezuma-Cortez outside hitter Amanda Chappell, who'd signed eight days before, giving Barker and assistant April Sanchez a rare pair from the southwest.

On CNCC's 2011 roster, seven of the 12 Spartans were from the state's northwest, while just three were from the Front Range and



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

On Thursday March, 15, Rylie Jefferson signed her national letter of intent to pursue volleyball at Colorado Northwestern Community College in Rangely, Colo. Head coach Richard Barker represented the college at the signing. Jefferson's family and the Ignacio High School athletic faculty were there for support during the signing in the school's library.

only two came from out-of-state (both from Utah). Competing in the widespread Scenic West Athletic Conference (NJCAA Division I, Region XVIII), the Spartans struggled to a 3-20 match record with one triumph coming by forfeit.

But having strived in the widespread Class 2A/1A San Juan Basin League, finding success only moderately more available — Ignacio went 7-11 overall in 2011, up from 6-17 in 2010 — Jefferson said she's been prepared for how tough the task ahead will be.

"It teaches you a lot of perseverance, and ways to get yourself through the games," she said. "Play as hard as you can until it's over — every last point."

"Someone told me, 'You get

worse before you get better,' and it's true," Stillwell said of the initial college volleyball breaking-in phase. "You're learning so much new stuff, and you're being held accountable at a higher level than you are in high school, but I think she can do it."

"She's the only player I had who worked out consistently hard all summer for this season," the coach continued. "She had her sights set on trying to play after high school, and she didn't give up. So for her it's a culmination of hard work being realized, and I'm really proud of her."

"I think she has very good skills, very advanced skills, which goes

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Membership Memories



The Chieftain archives

"Reg Howe: Portrait of a Champion" was the headline of an article by Ted Foster appearing in The Chieftain on Thursday, March 12, 1970. Calling Howe's "one of the most brilliant basketball careers in Basin A League history," Foster said Ignacio's surprising 68-66 loss to Bayfield in the league's tournament finals "robbed many of the fans in Denver of an opportunity to see one of the best guards in Colorado in action." Now a Southern Ute tribal elder, Howe amassed 1,582 points in his high school career, averaging 20.3 per game (26.2 in his senior year) and recording a personal-best 45 points in a single outing. One rival coach's best idea for containing Howe: "Kidnap him two hours before the game." Howe led his team to a 19-1 record in his last season, and his legacy lives on the highly successful Ignacio High boys' teams of recent years.



Bon voyage



Sky Ute Casino Resort employee Buck Purcell was acknowledged and honored during a retirement party by the Southern Ute Veterans Association and colleagues on Thursday, March 14. Purcell, a well-travelled man, displayed a map of his journeys from Australia to North America, and the around-the-world route that he plans to tackle in his upcoming retirement. As a fellow former serviceman, the Southern Ute veterans sent off Purcell with a Pendleton blanket for his contributions to the veterans during their many events at the casino.

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National Park Week to feature free admission

Media release
National Park Foundation

The National Park Service and the National Park Foundation, the official charity of America's national parks, invite people everywhere to enjoy, explore, learn, share, and give back to America's nearly 400 national parks during National Park Week 2012.

Celebrating the theme, "Picture Yourself in a National Park," National Park Week will run from Saturday, April 21 through Sunday, April 29. Throughout the country, visitors can enjoy the beauty and wonder of 84 million acres of the world's most spectac-

ular scenery, historic places and cultural treasures for free.

National parks will mark the annual celebration with special events and activities including Volunteer Day on April 21, Earth Day on April 22, and Junior Ranger Day on April 28. From ranger-led hikes and kayak trips to camping and exploring, park visitors can plan their National Park Week at www.nationalparkweek.org. Discover information about events, special activities for visitors of all ages, how to share your park adventure with other travelers, and how to support the parks.

"America's national parks have something for everyone," said

National Park Service Director Jonathan B. Jarvis. "Take a break and experience something new, enjoy some fresh air, get some exercise, and see where history happened. And, since admission is free to all 397 parks, all week long, National Park Week is a great time to get up, get out, and explore a park."

"This is our annual celebration of America's best idea: our national parks," said Neil Mulholland, president and CEO of the National Park Foundation. "We are proud to stand with our partners at the National Park Service and encourage people everywhere to enjoy, learn from and support our nation's greatest treasures."



Back to Montana



The Southern Ute Indian Tribe sent Gordon Eldredge off in style on Wednesday, March 14 with a presentation of gifts from Tribal Chairman Jimmy R. Newton Jr. Eldredge, a Montana native, served in an advisory position as chief professional officer for the Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Among his parting gifts, Eldredge received a beaded bolo tie.

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Tribal Credit announces Unsecured Revolving Line of Credit

Media release

Southern Ute Tribal Credit Division

Tribal Council, in coordination with the Tribal Credit Department, has announced the creation of the new Tribal Credit Program called the Unsecured Revolving Line of Credit.

Applications for the Unsecured Revolving Line of Credit will be available from the Tribal Credit Department starting on March 26, and may be submitted anytime thereafter in anticipation of the starting date for the new program of April 2.

The new program will replace the existing consumer loan program and the Emergency Loan Program sponsored by the Executive Office, which was discontinued as of March 16. A Line of Credit is a loan for which advances may be made at times determined by the tribal member and payments will be made on any outstanding balance. When amounts are paid down, additional advances may be made as long as the total amount does not exceed the credit limit.

The major provisions of the Line of Credit are as follows:

A Line of Credit will be available for tribal members 18 and older.

The Line of Credit will have a maximum credit limit of \$8,000.

Payments must be made monthly from the tribal distribution (i.e., elders retirement, dividend, or per capita payments).

If tribal distributions are already committed to other obligations and the amount available to repay the Line of Credit cannot support an \$8,000 loan, the available balance will be reduced to an amount supportable by the available distribution.

If all of a tribal member’s distribution is committed, no loan will be made.

Minimum payments will require that the entire loan balance, after consideration of the last advance, will be repaid with interest within three years (36 months).

Advances on the Line of Credit will be no less than \$1,000 and will not exceed the total credit available.

Proceeds from the advance may be paid directly to the tribal member or may be paid to a vendor at the option of the tribal member.

Interest rate on the Line of Credit shall be 5 percent.

Loan processing fees will be

applied to each advance and will be 1 percent of the amount of the advance, provided that a minimum fee will be \$10.

Approval for loans will be based on the tribal member’s ability to pay for the loan from tribal distributions. Information on other income and debt will not be collected nor considered in approving or denying a Line of Credit.

Approvals will be made by the Tribal Credit/Finance staff.

Loans are expected to be processed in less than three days. (Payments to vendors may increase the time of loan processing.)

Frequently asked questions

What happened if I have an existing loan with Tribal Credit?

Any existing loans under Tribal Credit will not be adjusted upon the adoption of this new policy. If your loan was a business, real estate, or agriculture loan these will continue under the existing terms of the loan. If your loan was a consumer loan, your loan will continue under the existing terms of the loan until paid, or until you wish to borrow under the new loan policy.

At that time, the existing balance of the old loan will be considered when structuring the new loan as shown in the following example: A tribal member has a loan under the old policy and the balance is \$2,000. They wish to borrow \$4,000 under the new policy. The old loan and the new loan will be combined for a new balance of \$6,000 and the loan will be administered under the new policy.

What happens if I have an existing loan under the Emergency Loan Program?

Any existing loans under the Emergency Loan Program will not be adjusted upon the adoption of this new policy. Your loan will continue under the existing terms of the loan until paid.

Are there restrictions on what I can borrow money for?

There are no restrictions on the use of the money borrowed. However, it is important to remember that the Emergency Loan Program has ended. Therefore, you may wish to manage your credit limit to save some space for emergencies.

Can I get the money myself or does it have to be paid to my creditors?

The proceeds of your loan can be paid directly to you, or you may request that the proceeds be paid directly to your creditors or vendors. The choice is yours.

How long will it take to get a loan?

It is expected loans will be funded within three days of submission of the application, assuming the application is complete and can be approved.

How many loans can I have?

With the Revolving Line of Credit, each request for money will be called an advance or draw. You may request multiple advances as long as the minimum amount is \$1,000 and the total outstanding balance plus the new request will not be more than the \$8,000 limit. Once you pay your balance down below \$7,000, you will be eligible to apply for a new advance.

What if my tribal distributions are already committed to pay other obligations?

If your tribal distributions are already committed to other obligations and you cannot afford additional loan payment or cannot afford to pay back an \$8,000 loan, the amount you can borrow will be reduced to the amount that you can afford to pay. If all of your available distributions are committed, you cannot get a loan.

How long do I have to pay back the loan and what is my payment?

The balance of your loan, including any previously borrowed amounts, will be repaid with interest over no more than three years (36 months). So an \$8,000 loan will have 36 monthly payments of approximately \$240. Loans for lesser amounts will have smaller payments. You may choose to repay your loan faster with a larger payment and pay less interest.

Tribal Council has approved these changes to better serve the tribal membership via the Tribal Credit Program. If you have specific questions, you may contact the Tribal Credit office at 970-563-4744.

Attention all current Lego league team members and interested Southern Ute/JOM students entering 4th, 5th and 6th grades

The Southern Ute Education Dept. in cooperation with the Durango Discovery Museum will host a Spring 2012 lego league practice season on Thursdays, April 12, 19 and 26 from 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Team Qualifications include: A strong commitment to yourself and your team, curiosity, focus, self-control, ability to follow directions, an above average work ethic, great attitude, a passion for science, math, and/or technology, and interest in a little friendly competition.

First Lego League is a global program created to get kids excited about science and technology. It focuses on utilizing theme-based challenges to engage kids, aged 9-14, in research, problem solving, and engineering. In this fun, creative, hands-on learning experience, students will build and program Lego robots. FIRST Lego League also incorporates “Core Values” into the program. These Core Values are the cornerstones of the program and participants learn that friendly competition and mutual gain are not separate goals, and that helping one another is the foundation of teamwork.

Contact Carrie A. Vogel at 970-563-0235 and sign up to attend. Additional information will be passed out to qualified Southern Ute/JOM students going into the 4th, 5th and 6th grades. For more information check out: www.durangodiscovery.org. Click on “programs” and then on “Lego League Robotics”.

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goes back to her coaching ... so put credit where it’s due,” Barker said. “To be a freshman in Region XVIII is very tough; to be a starting setter is even tougher.”

Colorado Northwestern’s 2011 campaign ended three sets into the Region XVIII tournament, courtesy College of Southern Idaho (Twin Falls), who eventually finished sixth at the nationals in West Plains, Mo.

“We have another young lady [Rachel Creighton of Payson, Ariz.] coming up ... so at this point, we’re looking at running a 6-2,” Barker said. “But as I told Rylie and her family, anytime we start a 6-2 ... under NJCAA rules, we have 12 subs. ... Somebody’s going to have to finish in a 5-1.

“Rylie’s got a nice block for a shorter setter, and like I told her, if she can’t stop balls she can direct balls. It’ll be interesting to see who becomes the 5-1 setter,” he said.

Jefferson said academics also played a part in her choosing CNCC.

“I’m going to go get my associate of arts, and then hopefully from there transfer to a school that has a nursing program. Something

close,” she said. “And because I know nursing’s hard — to get your R.N. while you’re playing — if that’s what it takes to play another two years, we’ll find a certification I can get in another two years before I go to nursing.”

“It makes a difference when you have kids who know how to balance their academic life with their athletic life,” Barker said. “We’ve been really fortunate — it is a team norm — but if the kids come in knowing how to balance the two, that’s a plus.

“Individual training every day, then we have team training, we have weights, and then you have studies!” he continued. “And to add to that, we have extensive travel. We play from Yavapai [Ariz.] to Coeur d’Alene [North

Idaho College]. ... And then there’s that added stress of going to college: Whatever hours they thought they were putting in ... new ballgame.”

“I think part of it is going in with no expectations, because it is different,” Stillwell said. “I’m willing to do what I can, from now until the time she leaves, and I’m sure she’ll get back in a system at the rec center, which is where she worked out all summer with a trainer, because she did see the benefits and payoff of all that hard work.”

“It’s kind of sad at the same time. I don’t want to leave her; she’s been such a great coach,” Jefferson said. “But Coach Richard’s a great coach and I’m excited to play for him as well.”

CNCC Signees for 2012, to date

Name, Position	School	Signed
Jessica Welch, OH	1A Castleford (ID)	Jan. 19
Kendra Flores, S	1A Castleford (ID)	Jan. 20
Rachel Creighton, S	3A Payson (AZ)	Feb. 15
Amanda Chappell, OH	4A Montezuma-Cortez (CO)	Mar. 7
Alexandra Tenorio, OH	2A John Mall [Walsenburg] (CO)	Mar. 12
Rylie Jefferson, S	2A Ignacio (CO)	Mar. 15

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Trumpeter swans visit Scott's Pond



A trio of trumpeter swans, rare visitors to Colorado, showed up on Scott's Pond in Ignacio in mid-March. The primary breeding range of the Rocky Mountain population extends into Canada and Alaska, though they winter across the central Rockies and upper Midwest. According to Southern Ute Wildlife Biologist Aran Johnson, the birds were probably blown off course by some of the recent storms and needed a place to set down and rest. There are two adults and a young bird, which may be a family group, he said.

photos courtesy
Aran Johnson/SU Natural Resources

Traditions live on in buffalo harvest • from page 1



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Bill and Virginia Crangle (left) stand by their ranch house on land neighboring the Historic Fort Lewis Indian School outside of Hesperus, Colo. The Crangles provided the venue for this year's Buffalo Harvest. Manuelito "Chief" Garbiso (above) is one of the members of the Fort Lewis Buffalo Council, composed of Native American students involved in organizing cultural activities throughout the region including the annual Buffalo Harvest.

healthy animal with strong genes.

Nathan Strong Elk was one of a handful of Southern Utes who attended the annual harvest, offering a blessing over the animal once it arrived. Strong Elk emphasized the importance of calming the animal to prepare it for harvest after such a long journey.

The sound of drums could be heard around the early morning campfires, mingling with the smell of burning cedar in the air and the singing of the young participants who would soon harvest the buffalo.

A pair of gunshots broke the still morning silence. Members of the Buffalo Council and their helpers began to cut and clean the great bison, heaving his mass onto tarps.

While the men used knives and tools to section the meat, women worked in teams to separate the vital organs and entrails, each with its own place and purpose, its own destination. Practical efficiency was evident in the collaborative process.

Neighboring dogs became less shy, stealing away with the occasional discard. The winter sun began to warm the ground as expert hands worked in traditional ways.



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Swonger withdraws from House race

Media release
Swonger for Colorado

On Tuesday, March 13, Patrick Swonger of Silverton announced an end to his campaign for the Colorado House of Representatives. "I am withdrawing from the race to support Mike McLachlan

in his bid to represent the 59th District," Swonger said. "Thank you to everyone that worked on my campaign and gathered signatures. It's been an amazing experience to meet and work with so many people dedicated to progress and prosperity for Colorado." Swonger and campaign volun-

teers were on schedule to collect the 1,000 signatures needed by April 2 to petition on the ballot for the June Democratic primary. "It takes financial resources to make a successful run for state office," he said. "The need to fund a district-wide primary and a fall campaign made this race too expensive for me to continue."

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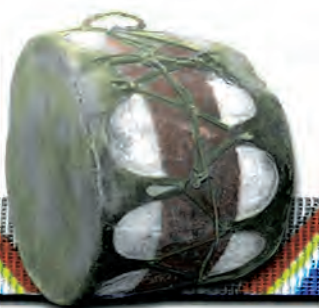
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Media release
Sky Ute Casino Resort

The Sky Ute Casino Resort's second annual "Bridal and Event Spectacular," which took place Saturday, March 10, was nothing short of magnificent – make that spectacular!

The casino rolled out the red carpet for nearly 300 attendees to peruse more than 50 vendors representing various niches in the wedding and event planning market. The event featured the voice talents of local favorites Eddie Jr. and Betty Box, who introduced each vendor as they meandered through the room, putting a humorous twist on this formal affair.

One of the larger and better-attended booths belonged to the casino itself. The presentation of the food was not only delightful

to the eye, but the food itself was scrumptious. The kitchen staff outdid themselves this year with complimentary sparkling cider



The table featured delectable

hand-carved ham, crepes, and finger foods sure to make one put their diet on pause. The cash bar and fashion show were welcome additions to this year's event.

The show featured hair and makeup by Sheer Attitude (Shiprock, N.M.); The Chair: A Hair Salon (Durango); Hair Space (Durango); and CG Pro Makeup (Farmington, N.M.). Gowns, tuxes and mother-of-the-bride dresses were courtesy of Occasions (Durango), Tuxedo Junction (Farmington), and Dillard's (Farmington) — all modeled by area locals.

Every guest of age was given \$10 in Sky Ute Loot to play with, and entered into an hourly drawing dishing out various door prizes, including a trip for two to Cancun and the grand prize, a Sky Ute Casino Resort Honey-moon Package.



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2012 – 2013 Southern Ute Indian Reservation hunting and fishing proclamation

Hunt Date Summary		
	Pick-up	Season Dates
Deer and Elk		
Early Archery	Aug. 13	Aug. 25 – Sept. 7
General	Aug. 13	Sept. 8 – Dec. 31
January Cow Elk		Jan. 12 – 20, 2013
Limited		
Upland game birds	Aug. 13	Sept. 1 – Dec. 31
Migratory game birds (doves)	Aug. 13	Sept. 1 – Oct. 31
Mountain Lion	Oct. 1	Nov. 1 – April 7, 2013
Spring Turkey	March 26	April 14 – May 27
Small Game	Anytime	Calendar Year
Fall Turkey		
Early Archery	Aug. 13	Aug. 25 – Sept. 7
General	Aug. 13	Sept. 8 – Dec. 31
Waterfowl	Aug. 13	Sept. 1 – Jan. 27, 2013

REMINDERS FOR 2012-2013

Validation Requirements
For the 2012/13 seasons there WILL NOT BE a mandatory validation requirement for off reservation transport of deer and elk harvested during the General Season. Note: There will continue to be a mandatory validation for deer, elk, and turkeys harvested during the early archery season and for all mountain lions. Additionally there will continue to be a mandatory validation on does and cows when the hunter plans to pick up additional doe or cow tags.

Hunting Tribal Lands Outside the Exterior Boundary
The Southern Ute Tribe owns lands which lay outside the exterior boundary of the reservation, e.g.: east of Redding Ranch. For a Tribal member to hunt these lands, they must possess a hunting license from the State of Colorado and abide by seasons and regulations pertaining to that license. The Tribe does not have jurisdiction over hunting on lands that fall outside of the exterior boundary of the reservation.

Guiding and Outfitting
Guides and outfitters must be permitted by the Division of Wildlife Resource Management before operating on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. To obtain a guiding and outfitting permit or to acquire a list of permitted guides and outfitters, contact the Division of Wildlife Resource Management.

HUNTING PERMITS

Southern Ute Tribal Members
The following conditions must be met to obtain Southern Ute Tribal Member hunting permits:
1. Must be an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member 12 years old or older and be able to present an enrollment card at the time permits are picked up.
2. Hunters under the age of 21 must possess a hunter safety card and must present it at the time permits are picked up.
3. Issued permits must be signed by the applicant.
4. Mail-out permits will be provided to non-resident Tribal Members only after receiving a letter including the Tribal Member's name, date of birth, copies of their enrollment card and hunter safety education card (if applicable), and a list of permits desired. Permits will not be valid until signed by the applicant.

Duplicate Permits
Lost or destroyed hunting permits will be replaced by the Division of Wildlife Resource Management for a cost of \$5.00 per permit.

New Address/Telephone Number/Driver's License Information
If you held a previous year's hunting permit and your home address, telephone number, or driver's license information has changed, you are required to provide the new information to the Division of Wildlife Resource Management.

LEGAL WEAPONS

Legal weapons for mule deer, elk and mountain lion shall include:
• Shotguns of 20 gauge or larger firing a single slug,
• Any bow with at least 40 pounds of draw weight. Hunting arrows must include a broadhead with an outside cutting diameter of at least 7/8 of an inch with at least 2 blades. Each cutting edge must be within the same plane throughout the length of the cutting surface. Unless specifically approved by the Management Division, crossbows are illegal during the early archery season,
• Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, and a minimum draw length of 14 inches from the front of the bow to the nocking point of the drawstring. A positive mechanical safety device is required. Bolts must be a minimum of 16 inches long, having a broadhead a minimum of 7/8 inch wide and a minimum of 2 cutting blades. Cutting edges of broadheads must be in the same plane for the entire length of the cutting surface,
• Muzzleloading rifles with a single barrel of at least .40 caliber for deer, and .50 caliber for elk,
• .357 magnum or larger handguns with a barrel length of 6 inches or longer, using .357 magnum or larger caliber ammunition with soft nose or hollow point bullets,
• Center-fire rifles or center-fire handguns chambered for a center-fired cartridge, a minimum of .23 caliber. No fully automatic firearm may be used. All bullets must be soft nose or hollow pointed and not weigh more than 350 grains.

Legal weapons for turkey shall include:
• Turkeys may be hunted with shotguns except .410 gauge, bow and arrow, crossbow, rifles and handguns, center-fired cartridges only, and Muzzleloading rifles and handguns.

Legal weapons for waterfowl shall include:
• Any shotgun 10 gauge or smaller and not capable of holding more than 3 shotshells in the chamber and magazine combined. Shotshells must not contain lead pellets.

Legal weapons for small game (including upland birds) shall include:
• Any rimfire or center-fire rifle or handgun, any shotgun, any bow and arrow or crossbow.

HUNTER SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

Hunter Safety Requirements
All hunters under the age of 21 years must have successfully completed a hunter safety education course prior to issuance of permits. Hunters under age 21 must present their hunter safety education card to the Division of Wildlife Resource Management when acquiring permits and must carry the card with them while hunting. The DWRM offers hunter education classes twice per year. Please contact the office for more information.

Hunters Under Age 18
Hunters under 18 years of age may hunt regulated species only when accompanied by an adult.

DESIGNATED HUNTING

Designating Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members
Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members over the age of 12 may designate another enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member who meets the hunting permit eligibility requirements to hunt for them during the regular hunting season. Southern Ute Tribal Members who wish to designate another Southern Ute Tribal Member must pick up and sign their own permits, and the Division of Wildlife Resource Management will place the name of the designated hunter on permits at that time. Designated hunters will only be allowed to harvest female deer and elk, or turkey of either sex during the general fall Southern Ute Tribal Member hunting season. Designated hunters will not be allowed for any other form of hunting.

Designating Division of Wildlife Resource Management
The Division of Wildlife Resource Management will provide designated hunting services to enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member elders (55 years of age or older), single women, or physically disabled individuals. Requests must be made to the Division of Wildlife Resource Management, and all animals will be harvested during the regular Southern Ute Tribal Member hunting season.

TAGGING AND VALIDATION REQUIREMENTS

Tagging Requirements
All big game must be tagged by the person who harvested the animal. The hunter must physically notch (cut) the Month and Day of harvest on the tag, and sign the permit in Ink immediately after harvesting the animal. The hunter must then remove the tag from its backing and affix to the carcass.

All big game animals must be securely tagged with the carcass tag prior to transportation. If numerous trips are required to remove the carcass from the field, the tag should remain attached to the portion of the carcass left in camp or in a vehicle.
There is an additional "Antler Tag" attached to the carcass tag. This was developed for Tribal members to be able to have proof of legal harvest on both a set of antlers (or horns) and on a carcass if the two are separated. The antler tag should be affixed to antlers kept at a residence or brought to a taxidermist.
Validation is the inspection of a harvested animal and may or may not be required depending on the species or hunt type. Part of the validation process may also require the hunter obtaining a validation tag as proof of inspection prior to the hunter leaving the reservation with the harvested animal. For further information regarding validations and validation tags, please contact the DWRM within 24 hrs of harvesting an animal.

Validation Requirements
Depending on the season and species hunted, validation of harvested animals may be required. Guidelines vary and are given in detail by species and hunting season below.

• Early Archery mule deer, elk, and turkey: **Mandatory Validation**
• General mule deer and elk, fall and spring turkey: **Voluntary Validation**
Tribal member hunters will not be required to have mule deer, elk or turkeys validated prior to off reservation transport. Hunters wishing to have their animals validated should make arrangements with DWRM staff during regular business hours.
• Doe mule deer and Cow elk: **Mandatory Validation Exception**
Hunters planning to pick up a second doe tag, or a second or third cow tags must have their does or cows validated prior to picking up additional tags.
• Mountain Lion: **Mandatory Validation**
Validation must take place within 24 hours of the kill. Contact the Division of Wildlife Resource Management or Southern Ute Tribal Rangers during regular business hours or contact Southern Ute Dispatch outside of regular business hours to arrange validation.
• Upland game birds, waterfowl and small game: **No Validation Required**

EVIDENCE OF SEX REQUIREMENTS

Evidence of the sex of harvested mule deer, elk, wild turkeys, and mountain lions must remain naturally attached to carcasses while transporting animals from the field, while in camp, or until the animal is validated (if necessary). Evidence of sex for mule deer and elk include the head and/or the testicles or udder. Evidence of sex for wild turkeys is the beard (for males). For mountain lions, the reproductive organs of both males and females must be left attached for sex identification purposes.

GUIDING AND OUTFITTING

Guides and outfitters must be permitted by the Division of Wildlife Resource Management before operating on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. To obtain a guiding and outfitting permit or to acquire a list of permitted guides and outfitters, contact the Division of Wildlife Resource Management.

ACCOMPANY CROSSING PERMITS

The Division of Wildlife Resource Management issues crossing permits to non-Southern Ute Tribal Members to accompany permitted hunters while hunting. Persons holding crossing permits may not hunt or carry a firearm of any type while accompanying a permitted hunter. **Persons holding a crossing permit may not provide specialized guiding and outfitting type assistance to permitted hunters.** Contact the DWRM for more details on crossing permits or to have crossing permits issued.

Non-Southern Ute Tribal Members who are not in the immediate family of a Southern Ute Tribal Member hunter must acquire a crossing permit so that they may accompany the permitted Southern Ute Tribal Member while hunting. **Non-Southern Ute Tribal Members who are in the immediate family of a permitted Southern Ute Tribal Member hunter may accompany the hunter without obtaining a crossing permit.** For the purposes of accompany crossing permits, immediate family is considered a spouse, mother, father, son, daughter, brother, sister, grandparent, grandchild, son-in-law, daughter-in-law or legal guardian of the permitted Southern Ute Tribal Member hunter. Note that a maximum of two permittees at a time are allowed per Southern Ute hunter and the crossing permit will be valid for 30 days or until the end of the hunt season, whichever comes first. Cost for crossing permits will be \$20.00 per permittee, and each permit is valid for accompanying a single specified Tribal member hunter.

CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE TESTING

In 2012-2013 the Division of Wildlife Resource Management will continue its Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) surveillance and monitoring program. CWD is a degenerative disease affecting the central nervous systems of deer and elk. Although it has not been identified on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, it has been identified in other parts of Colorado. It is important that we determine whether the disease occurs on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation so that we can properly respond to its presence or absence.
Testing for CWD requires removing the brain stem, a sample of brain tissue, and 2 lymph nodes of the deer or elk to be tested, which requires removal of the head. **Samples must be collected within 48 hours of harvest.** Samples can be collected without causing damage to the skull, skull plate, or antlers, but damage to the hide will occur if the animal is not caped prior to sample collection.
During the Southern Ute Tribal Member Hunting Seasons CWD testing will be **voluntary**, but hunters are strongly encouraged to allow collection of samples from harvested deer and elk. Hunters who wish to have animals tested should contact the Division of Wildlife Resource Management as soon after the kill as possible. We will make arrangements to meet the hunter and collect the necessary sample. Test results will be mailed 2-3 weeks after the sample is sent in for testing.

Southern Ute Tribal Season Dates and Bag Limits (Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members Only, unless specified)

Open Areas
Open areas for mule deer, elk, spring and fall turkey, and upland game birds, small game and waterfowl shall include all lands within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. For private, assigned and allotted lands, hunters must first obtain written access permission from the landowner. For USFS lands and Navajo State Park lands contact the respective agencies for information pertaining to access restrictions.

Closed Areas
Closed areas shall include all grounds immediately surrounding the Lake Capote Recreation Area including the campground. For precise boundaries contact the Wildlife Division.

Mule Deer and Elk

Season Dates: Archery: August 25 – September 7, 2012, **General:** September 8 – December 31, 2012
Permits Issued: Beginning August 13, 2012
Bag Limits: 3 Mule Deer (1 Buck and 2 Does**), 4 Elk (1 Bull and 3 Cows**)
**Tribal Members must have their first cow or doe validated to receive their second cow or doe tag and have their second cow validated to receive their third cow tag.

January Cow Elk Hunt (SUIT members and Other Native Americans)
Season Dates: January 12 – 20, 2013, Archuleta Unit, January 12 -20, 2013, Sandoval Unit
Permits issued: January 11, 2013, Archuleta Unit (60 Tags), Sandoval Unit (60 Tags)
Bag Limit: 1 antlerless elk
Permitting: There will be 10 tags made available for Southern Ute Tribal members who would like to participate in the January Cow Elk Hunt. These tags will be available on a first come, first served basis through the end of the hunt.



Southern Ute Youth Turkey Hunt

April 28-29, 2012

The Southern Ute Wildlife Division and National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf) are sponsoring a Youth Turkey Hunt on Tribal lands on April 28th and 29th, 2012. Our goal is to educate and encourage Tribal Member youth about hunting and outdoor activities on the Reservation. The Hunt will be filmed and broadcast on NWTf's Turkey Call television show.



Requirements:

- ✓ 12 to 17 years old (after April 28th 1995 and before April 28th 2000)
- ✓ Passed Hunter Education
- ✓ Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member

In addition, the Wildlife Division is interested in recruiting experienced adult Tribal Member turkey hunters to serve as mentors for the youth hunters.

Please contact the Southern Ute Wildlife Division at (970) 563-0130 for more information, to register, or volunteer.



2012 – 2013 Southern Ute Indian Reservation hunting and fishing proclamation

Spring Turkey
Season Dates: April 14 – May 27 2012
Permits Issued: Beginning March 26th 2012
Bag Limit: 1 bearded turkey. No beard length restrictions, but a harvested bird must have a beard naturally attached

Fall Turkey
Season Dates: Early Archery: August 25 – September 7, 2012, **General:** September 8 – December 31, 2012
Permits Issued: Beginning August 13, 2012
Bag Limit: 1 Turkey (either sex)

Mountain Lion
Season Dates: November 1, 2012 – March 31, 2013, or until harvest quota filled
Permits Issued: Beginning October 1st, 2012
Bag Limit: 1 mountain lion (either sex).
Dogs: Using trained hunting dogs in the take and attempted take of mountain lions will be allowed.
Restrictions: It is unlawful to kill mountain lion kittens or female mountain lions accompanied by kittens. Kittens are defined as mountain lions exhibiting visible spotting of the fur. Female mountain lions accompanied by kittens are defined as female mountain lions that have kittens traveling with them or dependent on them.
Open Areas: Open areas for mountain lion hunting shall include all lands within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. For private, assigned and allotted lands, hunters must first obtain written access permission from the landowner. For USFS lands and Navajo State Park lands contact the respective agencies for information pertaining to access restrictions.
Harvest Quotas: It is the hunter's responsibility to call the harvest quota information line IMMEDIATELY BEFORE hunting to check the status of harvest quotas and hunt area closures. Call 970-563-0130 at anytime for quota status.
Reservation-wide: 7 mountain lions total or 4 female mountain lions

*****The mountain lion hunting season will remain open until the season ending date or until the harvest quota is filled, whichever comes first.**
Crossing Permits and Guiding and Outfitting
Non-members accompanying Tribal member lion hunters must possess a Hunter Accompany Crossing Permit, which can be purchased from the Wildlife Division. The Crossing Permit is specifically to accompany a permitted hunter while hunting on Tribal land. The permittee is expressly prohibited from carrying a firearm, or providing hunter assistance in the form of equipment, specially trained dogs, pack animals, or other similar types of hunting aids commonly provided by professional guides and outfitters.

Upland Game Birds including
Blue Grouse and Quail
Season Dates: September 1 – December 31, 2012
Permits Issued: Beginning August 13th, 2012
Bag Limit: Dusky Grouse: 3 birds per day, Quail: 8 birds per day

Migratory Game Birds including
Doves and Band-tailed Pigeons
Season Dates: September 1 – October 31, 2012
Permits Issued: Beginning August 13, 2012
Bag Limit: Mourning Doves: 15 birds per day, White-winged Doves: 15 per day, Band-tailed Pigeons: 5 per day, Collared Doves: Unlimited
Dogs: Using trained hunting dogs in the take and attempted take of game birds will be allowed.

Black Bear: NO OPEN SEASON

Waterfowl
Permits Issued: August 13, 2012
Season Dates: September 1, 2012 – January 27, 2013
Daily Bag Limit: 7 ducks and mergansers including no more than 2 hen mallards, 2 pintail, 2 redheads, 3 scaup and 1 canvasback, 25 coots, 4 dark geese or light geese, 25 Rails (Sora or Virginia), 8 Snipe
Possession Limits: 2 daily bag limits
***Please note that all waterfowl hunters are required to purchase and possess a Federal Duck Stamp. Duck Stamps can be picked up at the Post Office.

Small Game (including Furbearers)
Permits may be picked up at anytime during the calendar year. The season runs year-round.
Small game shall include beaver, badger, bobcat, coyote, fox species, muskrat, prairie dogs, rabbits and hares, raccoon, ringtail, squirrel species, and weasel species.
While no bag limits apply to small game species, certain rules and regulations do apply to trapping:

Important Regulations for Trapping:
1. Permission from assignee to trap. No person shall trap furbearers on assigned property of another without the permission of the assignee or person in charge of the property.
2. Interference with traps: It is unlawful to interfere with, disturb, remove or otherwise molest any trap, snare or other device lawfully set by a trapper, or remove any furbearer from said devices.
3. Unattended traps: It is the duty of a trapper to endeavor to prevent undue suffering by wildlife captured or trapped. It is unlawful for any person to set a trap and leave it unattended in excess of forty-eight (48) hours unless chemical or mechanical methods are provided to prevent suffering of trapped animals.

ADDITIONAL HUNTING REGULATIONS
A complete listing of regulations pertaining to hunting on the Southern Ute Indian reservation is contained in Title 13: Wildlife Conservation Code. Contact the DWRM for a current copy of Title 13 or visit our website: <http://www.southern-ute.nsn.us/wrmweb/>. Additionally the Division has a limited number of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Wildlife Laws Handbook 2008 available to Tribal hunters. Please ask about them in the Wildlife office.

Failure to wear Daylight or Fluorescent Orange Garments
During the hunting season it is unlawful to hunt big game with a firearm unless the person hunting or guiding is wearing a head covering and an outer garment above the waistline, both of solid daylight fluorescent orange color, totaling five hundred (500) square inches or more of clothing. Penalties include a \$50.00 fine and 5 points towards permit revocation.

Failing to Tag Wildlife Properly
It is unlawful for any person to fail to tag wildlife properly. In its simplest form tagging means to sign and punch the dates on your tag and affix it to the animal's carcass. Penalties include a \$100 fine and 10 points towards permit revocation.

Shooting from a Motor Vehicle
It is unlawful for any person to shoot any type of firearm from a motor vehicle to take wildlife. Penalties include a \$300 fine and 15 points towards permit revocation.

Wastage of Game Meat/Abandoning a Carcass
It is unlawful to abandon any edible portion of wildlife or permit it to go to waste. Penalties for big game include a \$1,000 fine and 15 points. Other wildlife includes a \$250 fine and 15 points towards permit revocation.

Additionally it is unlawful to take any wildlife and abandon the carcass or take wildlife only for the head, claws, teeth, hide, antlers, horns, tusks, or organs with the intent to abandon the carcass or to mutilate any living wildlife. Penalties include fines ranging from \$25 - \$20,000 and 25 points towards permit revocation.

Closure of Lake Capote Recreation Area
The Lake Capote Recreation Area will be closed to all hunting. Hwy 160 borders the closure area on the north and Hwy 151 on the west. The range fence directly south of the lake (running east/west) defines the southern boundary and the east boundary will follow the eastern bank of Stolsteimer Creek running north.

Off-road Travel on Tribal Lands
It is unlawful to travel off of established roads and two-tracks with any vehicle while on Tribal lands. This includes ATVs. Penalties include a \$100 fine and 5 points towards permit revocation.

Schedule of Civil Penalties Connected to Poaching Convictions on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation

Big Game
Mule Deer: Trophy Buck (24" or greater inside spread) \$10,000, Buck \$5,000, Doe \$1,000

Elk: Trophy Bull (6 or more point count on one antler) \$10,000, Bull \$5,000, Cow \$1,000

Mountain Lion: \$5,000
Additional penalties associated with poaching convictions often include point accrual and revocation of hunting and fishing privileges on the Southern Ute Indian reservation for 2 – 5 years

AUTHORITY

These hunting regulations are approved by the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council under authority as outlined in Title 13, Article 1, Section 13-1-106, Subsections (1) through (3), Article 2, Section 13-2-101, Subsections (1) through (5), Article 2, Section 13-2-104, Article 2, Section 13-2-105, Subsections (1) through (3), of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Code revised and amended by Tribal Resolution No's. 89-34, 01-69, and 02-215.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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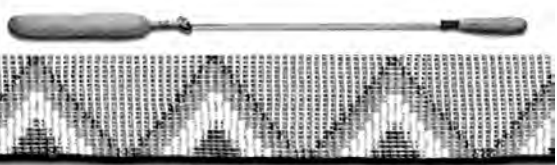
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2012-2013 BRUNOT AREA HUNTING AND FISHING SEASONS		
Season Type	Permitting Start Date	Season Dates
Spring Turkey	March 26	April 14 – May 27
Mule Deer	Aug. 13	Aug. 25 – Nov. 18
Rocky Mtn. Elk	Aug. 13	Aug. 25 – Nov. 18
Fall Turkey	Aug. 13	Aug. 25 – Nov. 18
Bighorn Sheep	Aug. 13**	Sept. 4 – Oct. 7
Mountain Goat	Aug. 13**	Sept. 4 – Oct. 31
Moose	Aug. 13**	Sept. 8 – Oct. 14
Mountain Lion	Oct. 1	Nov. 1, – March 31 2013
Upland & Migratory Game Birds	Aug. 13	Sept. 1 – Dec. 31 (Grouse, Ptarmigan, Pheasant & Chukar) Sept. 1 – Nov. 11 (Doves & Pigeons Only)
Waterfowl	Aug. 13	Sept. 22 – Jan. 29, 2013 (Pacific Flyway) Oct. 6 – Feb. 10, 2013 (Central Flyway)
Small Game	Anytime	Calendar Year
Fishing	Anytime	Calendar Year

**Permitting for these rare game species takes place through a special application and drawing process each spring. For more information, see Rare Game Permitting.

SEASON FRAMEWORK

Hunting and fishing seasons are established annually by the Tribe for all game species found within the Brunot Area. The table found on the inside cover of this proclamation specifies the current seasons (i.e., the start and end dates for legal harvest), as well as the permitting start dates. Most seasons will be the same or very similar from year to year, however, dates of several seasons may vary slightly.

Those animal species not identified as having designated seasons, and those not protected by the Tribe from harvest for cultural or conservation reasons (see Protected Fish & Wildlife), may be harvested without a Tribe-issued hunting or fishing permit.

Cultural and Ceremonial Hunting

Those Tribal hunters wishing to hunt for cultural or ceremonial purposes within the Brunot Area and outside of the regular, Tribal-approved seasons must contact the SUIT Division of Wildlife prior to hunting. Special authorization is required for any hunting outside of the established seasons, and at least two weeks advance notice of a cultural/ceremonial hunting need should be provided.

PERMITTING

All Tribal Members hunting or fishing within the Brunot Area must carry with them the appropriate permit(s) issued by either the Tribe or State of Colorado. Tribal Members who obtain Tribal permits are subject to the Tribal seasons and regulations set forth in this Proclamation, to be enforced by the Tribe. Those who obtain State hunting or fishing permits must hunt or fish in accordance with State seasons and regulations (see the Colorado Division of Wildlife), which will be enforced by the State. It is unnecessary, but allowable, for a hunter or angler to be permitted by both entities.

On-Reservation hunting and fishing permits (i.e., within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation) and off-Reservation hunting and fishing permits for the Brunot Area are separate and non-interchangeable. It is the responsibility of each hunter and angler to be properly permitted for the area hunted or fished, and to follow any and all applicable regulations for that area.

Permitting for Brunot Area hunting and fishing is managed entirely through the Tribe’s Division of Wildlife office, located in the Annex Building on the tribal government campus near Ignacio, Colorado. Permits may be obtained in-person at this office or by mail for those Tribal Members living outside the Reservation area.

Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits are issued free-of-charge for the first issuance. A \$5 fee applies for replacement of lost or damaged permits.

2012-13 Permitting Start Dates

Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits are available to pick up at the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife office (or mail out) beginning on the start dates specified on the inside cover of this Proclamation through the end of the established season. Note: Except for Fishing and Small Game, the permitting start dates do not correspond to the actual season start dates.

For Rare Game (i.e., bighorn sheep, moose, mountain goat), successful applicants in a lottery process will be notified of their permit availability through the Division of Wildlife following permit drawings held each June.

Permit Eligibility

Only Southern Ute Tribal Members may obtain Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits from the Tribe and the following criteria must be met in order to obtain a valid permit:

- All applicants must present a Southern Ute Tribal identification card at the time of permit pick-up.
- For hunting, but not fishing, only applicants

- 12 years old or older may obtain a permit, and those under the age of 21 must present a hunter safety card.
- The applicant’s hunting and fishing privileges must not be currently suspended or revoked through the Tribe’s wildlife penalty-point system.
 - Issued permits are not valid unless signed by the applicant.

Permit Transferability

The transfer of Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits is strictly prohibited, even to other Southern Ute Tribal members or other Native Americans. Only the individual named on the Brunot Area permit is authorized to hunt or fish, per the terms of the permit. “Designated hunting” – the transfer of certain permit types between Tribal Members – is an option only for on-Reservation hunting (i.e., hunting within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Reservation) and is not allowed within the Brunot Area.

Mail-Out Permits

Mail-out permit(s) will be provided at no-cost by the SUIT Division of Wildlife only to a non-local Tribal Member and only upon receipt of a signed letter of request from the Tribal Member. The letter must include the hunter’s name, mailing address, date of birth, copies of the Southern Ute Tribal identification card and hunter safety education card (if applicable), and a list of the permit(s) desired. Permits will not be valid until signed by the applicant.

Permit Replacement

Lost or damaged Brunot Area permits may be obtained at the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife office for a \$5 per permit fee, regardless of permit type. Lost or damaged permits will be immediately voided, and notification of voided permits will be sent to tribal law enforcement.

Rare Game Permitting

Unlike other Brunot Area permitting, permitting for Rare Game (i.e., Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, moose, and mountain goat) is handled through a permit application and drawing process. Availability of applications will be announced through local media in the Ignacio area, and applications will only be accepted during the month of May. Random drawings from among the applicants will then determine the recipients of a very limited number of hunting permits. Notification of these individuals will occur during the month of June. Those who repeatedly apply but do not receive a permit will accrue bonus points, which will improve future chances of selection.

For detailed information on the rules governing the Tribal Council-approved lottery process and bonus point system, please contact the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife office.

HUNTING REGULATIONS

Presented in this section are the 2012/13 Tribal-approved regulations pertaining to the harvest of Brunot Area Big Game, Rare Game, Small Game, Upland Gamebirds, and Waterfowl.

Season Bag Limits for Big Game, Rare Game, and Small Game	
Hunt Type	Bag Limit (per hunter)
Mule Deer	2 (1 buck and 1 doe)
Rocky Mtn. Elk	2 (1 bull and 1 cow)
Mountain Lion	1 (either sex)
Fall Turkey	1 (either sex)
Spring Turkey	1 (bearded gobbler)
Bighorn Sheep	1 (either sex)
<i>(Two permits available for 2012)</i>	
Mountain Goat	1 (either sex)
<i>(Two permits available for 2012)</i>	
Moose	1 (either sex)
<i>(One permit available for 2012)</i>	
Small Game¹	Unlimited
<i>¹Small Game includes: bobcat, coyote, fox, all weasels (except river otter), ringtail, raccoon, prairie dog, beaver, muskrat, rabbit/hare, marmot, and tree squirrel.</i>	
Daily Bag Limits for Upland Gamebirds and Waterfowl	
Upland Gamebirds	
Dusky Grouse, Ptarmigan, Pheasant, Chukar	3 of each per day
Mourning Dove, White-winged Dove¹	5 of each per day
Bandtailed Pigeon	5 per day
Collared Dove	Unlimited
Waterfowl	
Pacific Flyway	7 Ducks & Mergansers¹ 4 Geese (Dark and/or Light) 25 Coots/25 Rails/8 Snipe
Central Flyway	6 Ducks²/5 Mergansers³ 20 Light Geese/4 Dark Geese 15 Coots/25 Rails/8 Snipe
<i>¹Including no more than 2 hen mallards, 1 pintail, 2 redheads, and 2 scaup. No canvasbacks shall be taken in the Pacific Flyway.</i>	
<i>² Including no more than 2 hen mallards, 1 pintail, 1 canvasback, 2 redheads, 2 scaup, and 2 wood ducks.</i>	
<i>³ Including no more than 2 hooded mergansers.</i>	

LEGAL WEAPONS

Legal weapons for harvesting mule deer, elk, mountain lion, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, and moose shall include:

- Any bow with at least 40 pounds of draw weight. Hunting arrows must include a broadhead with an outside cutting diameter of at least 7/8 inch with at least 2 blades. Each cutting edge must be within the same plane throughout the length of the cutting surface,
- Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, and a minimum draw length of 14 inches from the front of the bow to the nocking point of the drawstring. A positive mechanical safety device is required. Bolts must be a minimum of 16 inches long, having a minimum broadhead width of 7/8 inch, and a minimum of 2 cutting blades. Cutting edges of broadheads must be in the same plane for the entire length of the cutting surface.
- Shotguns of 20 gauge or larger firing a single slug,
- Muzzleloading rifles with a single barrel of at least .40 caliber for deer, and .50 caliber for elk,
- .357 magnum or larger handguns with a barrel length of 6 inches or longer, using .357 magnum or larger caliber ammunition with soft nose or hollow point bullets,
- Center-fire rifles or center-fire handguns chambered for a center-fired cartridge, a minimum of .23 caliber. No fully automatic firearm may be used. All bullets must be soft nose or hollow pointed and not weigh more than 350 grains.

Legal weapons for turkey shall include:

- Shotguns except .410 gauge, bows and crossbows (i.e., as specified above for deer, elk, etc.), rifles and handguns, center-fired cartridges only, and muzzleloading rifles and handguns,

Legal weapons for waterfowl shall include:

- Any shotgun 10 gauge or smaller and not capable of holding more than 3 shotshells in the chamber and magazine combined. Shotshells must not contain lead pellets.

Legal weapons for small game and upland gamebirds shall include:

- Any rimfire or center-fire rifle or handgun, any shotgun, and any bow and arrow or crossbow.

EVIDENCE OF SEX

Evidence of sex for harvested mule deer, elk, mountain lion, turkey, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, and moose must remain naturally attached to carcasses while transporting animals from the field, while in camp, or until the animal is validated (if required). Evidence of sex will include the head and/or testicles or udder. For mountain lions, the reproductive organs of both male and female must be left attached for identification purposes.

CARCASS TAGGING

The carcass of a harvested large game animal (i.e., mule deer, elk, mountain lion, turkey, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, or moose) must be tagged by the person who harvested the animal. The hunter must physically notch (cut) the Month and Day of harvest indicated on the permit and sign the permit in ink immediately after harvesting the animal. The hunter must then remove the permit face (i.e., the “tag”) from its backing and affix it to the carcass. All big game animals must be securely tagged with the carcass tag prior to transportation. If numerous trips are required to remove the carcass from the field, the tag should remain attached to the portion of the carcass that is first brought to camp or to a vehicle. For antlered animals (i.e., buck deer, bull elk, bull moose) and horned animals (i.e., bighorn sheep and mountain goat), an optional antler/horn tag is also provided as a tear-off portion of the permit. The antler/horn tag should be used if the head and carcass are to be separated (e.g., if the head is going to a taxidermist and the carcass is going to a meat processor).

DEER & ELK HARVEST REPORTING

Hunters are required to report – by phone, writing, or in-person – the successful harvest of any mule deer or elk from the Brunot Area. Hunters should be prepared to describe to the Tribal Division of Wildlife generally where and when an animal was harvested. Reporting must occur within five business days of harvest during regular business hours. Failure to report the successful harvest of any mule deer or elk from the Brunot Area could subject the hunter to penalties under the Tribe’s Wildlife Conservation Code.

RARE GAME AND MOUNTAIN LION HARVEST VALIDATION

Hunters are required to have validated any mountain lion, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, or moose harvested from the Brunot Area. Validation is the physical inspection of the carcass by staff of the Tribal Division of Wildlife. Since Tribal staff is not available for weekend validations, animals must be brought in for validation during regular business hours (Monday - Friday, 8:00am - 12:00pm, 1:00pm - 5:00pm).

For mountain lion, the carcass must be inspected within 48 hours of the harvest. The hunter must present the carcass with skin attached.

For bighorn sheep and mountain goat, the carcass must be inspected within five business days of the harvest. The hunter must present the carcass with head (skull or cape) intact. If the harvested animal is a ram bighorn sheep, the Tribal Division of Wildlife will affix a permanent mark (plug) to the horn as proof of legal harvest.

For moose, the carcass must be inspected within five business days of the harvest. The hunter must present the head of the moose for inspection.

MOUNTAIN LION HUNTING

Mountain lion hunting in the Brunot Area is divided into four separate units, and each unit has an associated harvest quota. The mountain lion season is open either until the season end-date or until the unit quota is filled, whichever occurs first. If the quota for a unit is filled, the season will immediately close for that unit. A Brunot Area lion permit is valid for hunting in all units that have not reached the designated harvest quota. Please refer to the mountain lion unit map in this Proclamation for the location of each unit.

Lion hunters should be aware that Lion Unit 1 (L1) encompasses both the Southern Ute Indian Reservation and a portion of the Brunot Area. Even though L1 is a combination of Reservation and Brunot lands, lion hunting on the Reservation portion requires a reservation permit, while lion hunting in the Brunot portion requires a Brunot permit. The lion permits for both areas are not interchangeable.

The lion harvest quotas, by unit, are as follows:

Lion Unit	Harvest Quota
L1	7 lions or 4 females
L2	1 lion either sex
L3	2 lions either sex
L4	2 lions either sex

Important Mt. Lion Hunting Information

A mountain lion telephone information line is available for hunters to call to check on the status of the quotas in each unit. It is the hunter’s responsibility to call the harvest quota information line IMMEDIATELY BEFORE hunting to check the status of harvest quotas and unit closures. Call 970-563-0130 at any time for quota status.

It is unlawful to kill mountain lion kittens or female mountain lions accompanied by kittens. Kittens are defined as mountain lions exhibiting visible spotting of the fur. Female mountain lions accompanied by kittens are defined as female mountain lions that have kittens traveling with them or dependent on them.

Trained hunting dogs may be used to hunt mountain lions.

UPLAND GAME BIRD HUNTING

Hunting for Upland Gamebirds is allowed within the Brunot Area. Upland Gamebirds includes dusky (blue) grouse, ptarmigan, pheasant, chukar, band-tailed pigeon and doves (mourning, whitewinged, and collared). Columbian Sharp-tailed grouse and Gunnison Sage Grouse may occur within the Brunot Area also, however, populations of these birds are very low and hunting of these species is not allowed.

Trained hunting dogs may be used to hunt migratory and upland birds.

WATERFOWL HUNTING

Hunting for Waterfowl is allowed within the Brunot Area. Waterfowl includes various species of ducks, mergansers, coots, dark and light geese, snipe, and rails (Virginia and sora).

The Brunot Area encompasses parts of both the Central and Pacific Flyways. Most of the Brunot Area is within the Pacific Flyway, while the Central Flyway portion is a much smaller area located east of the Continental Divide. Please refer to a map and be aware of the waterfowl harvest limits for the flyway in which you intend to hunt.

The possession limit for both the Pacific and Central Flyways is two (2) daily bag limits, except that possession of light geese harvested in the Central Flyway is unlimited.

Please note that, under Federal law, all waterfowl hunters are required to purchase and possess a Federal Duck Stamp. A Duck Stamp can normally be purchased for a small fee at a local Post Office.

TRAPPING OF SMALL GAME

Trapping of small game is a special harvest methodology that is highly regulated at the State level, and is similarly regulated by the Tribe within the Brunot Area. The purpose of the regulations is to minimize the potential impacts of trapping on non-target wildlife, especially rare, threatened, or endangered species. For the Brunot Area, the species of concern with trapping are the Canada lynx and river otter, both of which are the subject of major re-introduction efforts and are protected from take throughout the San Juan Mountains region.

Trapping is allowed year-round, per the established Small Game season, and a trapper must obtain a Small Game permit to engage in any trapping of



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wildlife in the Brunot Area. Wildlife that may be trapped are those species covered under the Brunot Area Small Game permit, including: bobcat, coyote, fox, all weasels (except river otter), ringtail, raccoon, prairie dog, beaver, muskrat, rabbit/hare, marmot, and tree squirrel.

All trappers must comply with the following tribal trapping regulations:

- **Trapper Notification & Reporting.** A trapper must provide at least two weeks advance notice to the Tribal Division of Wildlife of any planned Brunot Area trapping effort. The notice must include approximate location of traps, number and type(s) of traps to be used, and approximate timeframe for operating the traps. Within two weeks of completing the trapping, the trapper must have traps completely removed from the field and report to the Division the trapping results (i.e., identify all target and non-target species captured, animals retained or harvested, and all non-target mortalities).
 - **Trap Attendance.** Any individual operating a trap within the Brunot Area is required to physically inspect the trap at least once every 24 hours. Note that this is not a “once daily” requirement, a trapper cannot inspect a trap on one morning and return in the afternoon the next day, as this would be in excess of 24 hours.
 - **Trap Types Allowed.** Only live traps may be used for trapping in the Brunot Area, which includes any non-lethal cage, box, or Snead-design colony traps. All other methods of trapping are prohibited, including, but not limited to, all types of legholds, snares, and instant kill traps.
 - **Bait Restrictions.** Visual lures, fresh meat baits, fish oil, and anise oil lures meant to attract felids are not permitted due to the risk of injury or mortality for Canada lynx.
 - **Target and Non-Target Captures.** All captured target species must be killed on-site when the trap is checked. All captured non-target species that are un-injured must be released. Accidental mortality of non-target animals must be reported to the Wildlife Division, per the trapper reporting requirement.
- Canada lynx and river otter that are captured but un-injured must be immediately released. Accidental capture of these species must be reported within 12 hours of discovery to the Tribal Wildlife Division.
- **Interference with Traps.** It is unlawful to interfere with, disturb, remove or otherwise molest any trap lawfully set by a trapper, or for a non-operator of a trap to remove any animal from said trap.

OTHER HUNTING REQUIREMENTS

Hunter Safety Requirements

All hunters under the age of 21 years must have successfully completed a hunter safety education course prior to issuance of permits. Hunters under age 21 must be able to present their hunter safety education card when acquiring permits, and must carry the card with them while hunting. Both the Tribe and Colorado Division of Wildlife offer hunter education classes, and should be contacted for more information.

Hunters Under Age 18

Hunters under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult while hunting.

Fluorescent Orange

For non-archery hunters hunting mule deer, elk, or moose within the Brunot Area, it is required that the hunter (and the hunter’s guide, if present) wear a head covering and an outer garment above the waistline, both of solid daylight fluorescent orange color, totaling 500 square inches or more of clothing. Penalties include a \$50 fine and penalty points toward suspension of hunting/fishing privileges.

Loaded Firearm in Vehicle

It is unlawful for any person, except those authorized by law, or by the Tribe’s Department of Justice and Regulatory, Enforcement Division, or Wildlife Management Division, to carry or possess any firearm other than a pistol or revolver in or on any motor vehicle, unless such firearm is unloaded. For purposes of this section, a rifle or shotgun shall be considered unloaded if it is unloaded in the chamber, a muzzle-loader shall be considered unloaded if it is not primed, and, for such purpose “primed” means having a percussion cap on the nipple, a primer in the breech, or flint in the striker and powder in the flash pan, and a bow shall be considered unloaded if an arrow is not nocked on the string. Penalties include a \$300 fine and penalty points toward suspension of hunting/fishing privileges.

Shooting from Road

It is unlawful for any person to shoot any type of firearm from or across or onto any maintained public road on the Reservation. “Road” shall mean the area extending 50 feet on either side of the center line of the roadway. Penalties include a \$250 fine and penalty points toward suspension of hunting/fishing privileges.

Shooting from a Motor Vehicle

It is unlawful for any person to shoot any type of firearm from a motor vehicle to take wildlife. Penalties include a \$300 fine and penalty points toward suspension of hunting/fishing privileges.

FISHING REGULATIONS

Presented in this section are the Tribal-approved seasons and regulations pertaining to fishing within the Brunot Area for both 2012 and 2013. The fishing season is the calendar year, January 1st through December 31st. Except as noted under Special Management Fisheries, standard angling methods and daily bag limits apply to all Brunot Area fishing by Tribal anglers.

Important Note: Numerous creeks and rivers with sport fisheries cross over the Brunot Area boundary. It is important for anglers to remember that, upon leaving the Brunot Area, Brunot fishing permits are no longer valid, State permit requirements and regulations apply outside of the Brunot Area. When entering the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, reservation requirements apply.

Standard Angling Methods

Game fish may be taken by hook and line only, and the use of only one fishing rod at a time per angler is allowed. For bait fishing, one line may be used with up to two single baited hooks attached. For lure fishing, one line may be used with one artificial lure attached. Artificial lures may have up to two hooks (single, double, or treble) attached. For fly-fishing, one line may be used with up to two flies attached.

Daily Bag and Possession Limits

The Daily Bag Limit is the maximum number of game fish you can take in one day. The Possession Limit is the number of fish you may have in your possession at any one time, including in your creel, ice chest, vehicle, camp, or home. The possession limit for all game fish is no more than one daily bag limit (single species or in aggregate), as indicated in the Daily Bag Limits table. Bag and Possession Limits do not apply to the “Unlimited Take” fisheries.

The Daily Bag Limits for trout, bass, sunfish, crappie, walleye and saugeye are IN AGGREGATE, meaning that the limits for each group of fish consist of one species or a mix of the different species indicated.

“UNLIMITED TAKE” FISHERIES”

Species of fish with no limits on bag or possession when fishing in ALL WATERS of the Brunot Area: Northern Pike, Yellow Perch, Common Carp, Bullhead, and White Sucker.

Species of fish with no limits on bag or possession when fishing in Brunot Area RIVERS and CREEKS: Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass, Bluegill, Green Sunfish, Crappie, Channel Catfish, and Walleye.

Daily Bag Limits	
Game Fish	Daily Bag Limit
Trout*	4
(Rainbow, Brown, Cutthroat, Splake, Golden, Lake, Brook over 8")	
Brook Trout (under 8")	10
Kokanee Salmon	10
Channel Catfish	10
Bass* (Largemouth, Smallmouth, Spotted)	10
Sunfish* (Bluegill and Green Sunfish)	10
Crappie* (White and Black)	20
Walleye and Saugeye*	5
Tiger Muskie	1 fish, 36" or longer
* Bag limits are IN AGGREGATE for the indicated group of fish	

GENERAL FISHING REGULATIONS

Legal Fishing Hours/Duration

Fishing may occur 24-hours a day, unless the daily bag or possession limit is met. Once the daily bag or possession limit is met, the angler must discontinue fishing.

Illegal Fishing Gear/Methods

Use of the following gear or methods to catch fish is prohibited on all Brunot Area waters: all net types (excluding hand-held landing nets), trotlines, traps, explosives, poisons, guns, or any other gear or method not specified in the Standard Angling Methods section.

Chumming

Chumming, or placing in the water any type of fish attractant for the purpose of catching fish, is prohibited in all Brunot waters. Chumming does not include the use of bait, lures, and flies as specified in the Standard Angling Methods section.

Snagging

Snagging, or using hooked devices to snag fish in parts of their bodies other than the mouth, is only allowed for kokanee salmon in designated waters during certain times of the year. Standard daily bag/possession limits for kokanee and gear restrictions for lure fishing apply to snagging. See the Spawning Waters section for more information on kokanee snagging restrictions.

Bait

Use of any live, dead, or parts of fish or amphibians as bait is prohibited in all Brunot Area waters. Non-fish and amphibian baits such as worms, insects, crayfish, vegetable matter, artificial salmon eggs, and PowerBait are permitted except in designated Trophy Trout Waters and Cutthroat Conservation Waters.

Planting Fish

It is unlawful to release or move into any Brunot Area waters any fish from aquaria, ponds, bait buckets, or any other external fish source.

Fishing Pole Attendance

Anglers must attend their fishing pole (be within 50 feet) at all times.

Minnows

It is unlawful to take, possess, transport, or sell live minnows anywhere within the Brunot Area.

SPECIAL MANAGEMENT FISHERIES

Special Management Fisheries are specific streams and lakes within the Brunot Area where closures and/or special harvest and tackle restrictions are in place to protect or enhance the local fish population. These locations include: Trophy Trout Waters, Cutthroat Conservation Waters, Trophy Bass Waters, and Spawning Waters. All anglers must comply with the special regulations in place for these designated waters.

A. Trophy Trout Waters. For the waters listed below, anglers may use artificial flies and lures only, with no bait fishing allowed. Unless otherwise noted, only two trout 16 inches in length or longer may be kept, per day.

- **Animas River.** From Lightner Creek to the south Brunot Area boundary located at Rivera Crossing Bridge.
- **Bear Creek.** From headwaters downstream to the Dolores River.
- **Dolores River.** From McPhee Dam downstream to the west Brunot Area boundary, near Lone Dome State Wildlife Area.
- **Emerald Lakes (Big & Little).** Located 10 mi northeast of Vallecito Res.
- **Lake Fork (of Gunnison River).** From High Bridge Gulch downstream to the north Brunot Area boundary.
- **Los Piños River.** From headwaters downstream to the Weminuche Wilderness boundary.
- **Piedra River.** CATCH & RELEASE ONLY from USFS Road 631 bridge downstream to the lower boundary of the Tres Piedra Ranch (1.5 miles above US160). All trout must be returned to the water immediately.
- **Rio Grande River.** From the lower boundary of River Hill Campground (near Rio Grande Reservoir) to the east Brunot Area boundary, just west of Creede, Colorado.
- **Vallecito Creek.** From headwaters downstream to the Weminuche Wilderness boundary.

B. Cutthroat Conservation Waters are streams and lakes within the Brunot Area that are managed to conserve pure-strain Colorado River and Rio Grande cutthroat trout. Anglers may fish these waters with artificial flies and lures only, but all fish must be returned to the water immediately. Cutthroat Conservation Waters include:

- **Deep Creek** (6 mi. west of Telluride)
- **Elk Creek** (10 mi. west of Telluride)
- **Cooper Lake** (10 mi. southwest of Lake City)
- **Sloan Lake** (10 mi. northeast of Silverton)
- **Hermosa Creek, E. Fork** (Durango Mtn. Resort)

- **Piedra River, E. Fork** (15 mi. northwest of Pagosa Springs)

C. Trophy Bass Waters – Totten Reservoir. For Totten Reservoir, near Cortez, anglers may only keep smallmouth and largemouth bass that are 15 inches in length or longer. Anglers must also refrain from fishing along the north shore of the reservoir from March 1 through May 31 in order to protect nesting waterfowl.

D. Spawning Waters are streams and lakes within the Brunot Area that are inhabited by spawning populations of kokanee salmon or wild trout. In order to conserve these important fisheries and ensure successful reproductive cycles, special seasonal fishing restrictions are necessary. The Brunot Area Spawning Waters and corresponding restrictions are listed below.

- **Florida River (above Lemon Reservoir).** Snagging of kokanee salmon is permitted above Lemon Reservoir from September 1 – December 31.
- **Grimes Creek (upstream of Vallecito Res. water line).** Snagging of kokanee salmon is permitted above Vallecito Reservoir from November 15 – December 31. All kokanee salmon caught before November 15 must be returned to the water immediately.
- **Vallecito Creek (CR501 upstream to Weminuche W.)** Snagging of kokanee salmon is permitted above Vallecito Reservoir from November 15 through December 31. All kokanee salmon caught before November 15 must be returned to the water immediately.
- **Big Emerald Lake Inlet Creek (CLOSURE).** All fishing is prohibited in Lake Creek inlet for 1/2 mile above Big Emerald Lake from April 15 – July 15.
- **Groundhog Reservoir Inlet Creeks (CLOSURE).** All fishing is prohibited in Nash Creek and Groundhog Creek inlets for 1/2 mile above Groundhog Reservoir from April 15 – July 15.

PROTECTED FISH & WILDLIFE


In order to ensure the long-term conservation of many rare and protected species that occur within the Brunot Area, the Tribe does not allow harvest of certain fish and wildlife by Brunot Area hunters and anglers. These include all species protected from take under the various Federal wildlife laws (e.g., Endangered Species Act, Migratory Bird Treaty Act, Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act), those species protected under State of Colorado Title 33, and designated wildlife populations that are the subject of special research or re-introduction efforts.

For the Brunot Area, the protected wildlife species most likely to be encountered by hunters include: **Canada lynx, river otter, Gunnison sage grouse, sharp-tailed grouse, all raptors** (eagles, hawks, falcons, owls), and all songbirds. The protected fish species most likely to be encountered by anglers include: **Colorado River and Rio Grande cutthroat trout** (designated pure populations), **roundtail chub, flannelmouth sucker, and bluehead sucker.**

None of these protected fish and wildlife species may be harvested by Tribal Brunot Area hunters or anglers. For a complete list of protected species, please contact the Tribal Division of Wildlife.

INVITATION TO ATTEND

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FOR ADDITIONAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Contact:

Norman Jojola, Co-Coordinator – (505) 753-1451 or (505) 927-3494

Joe Jojola, Co-Coordinator - (505) 563-3408

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2012 – 2013 Brunot area hunting and fishing season proclamation

In addition to the protected species identified above, the Tribe has also designated black bear as a protected, culturally sensitive species that shall not be subject to harvest by Brunot Area hunters under a Tribal-issued permit. Tribal hunters, however, retain the option of obtaining a State permit for harvesting black bear.

OPEN AND CLOSED AREAS, PRIVATE PROPERTY, AND INDIAN LAND

Open Areas for hunting and fishing shall generally include all public lands within the Brunot Area boundary, which consist of most Federal government and State of Colorado-owned lands (e.g., National Forest and Bureau of Land Management lands, State Wildlife Areas, State Parks, State school sections). Certain exceptions apply on some Federal and State-owned properties, or portions thereof, see Closed Areas below.

Closed Areas are those lands within the Brunot Area where hunting and/or fishing is not allowed by the Tribe for (1) public safety reasons, or (2) sensitive resource protection reasons. These areas include:

- all properties within the limits of any Brunot Area town or municipality,
- all properties or areas closed by local government (i.e., city or county) for public safety reasons,
- any place in close proximity to campgrounds, boat ramps, marinas, trailheads, occupied buildings, private residences, and any other facilities where hunting presents an undue risk to users, residents, and/or the facilities,
- any areas closed by Federal or State agencies to protect archaeological, wildlife, or other sensitive natural resource sites,

Note: Additional fishing-related closures are also specifically identified in the Spawning Waters section of the Brunot Area Fishing Regulations.

Private Property represents a substantial portion, approximately 25%, of the entire Brunot Area. Although permitted Brunot Area hunters and anglers are authorized to take game species on private property, the hunter or angler must always obtain access permission from the land owner prior to entering private land. It is always the hunter's or angler's responsibility to know where private land occurs, even if land boundaries are not clearly marked in the field. Hunters and anglers should carefully review maps provided by the Tribe, as well as those published by State and Federal lands agencies. Always seek knowledgeable help if in doubt about land status.

Indian Land within the Brunot Area is a small portion of the Ute Mountain Ute (UMU) reservation extending to south of Cortez, Colorado and west of Mesa Verde National Park. **For purposes of Brunot Area hunting by Southern Ute Tribal members, UMU land should be considered private property and not huntable without the expressed permission of the UMU Tribe.**

LAND USE REGULATIONS

Virtually all of the public lands within the Brunot Area – whether federal, state, or locally controlled – are subject to a wide range of land use regulations, some of which are not exclusively directed to fish and game matters. Common examples include, but are not limited to, restrictions on: open fires, recreational shooting, overnight camping, wood cutting/collecting, boating, livestock use, and especially off-road vehicle use (e.g., 4x4 trucks, ATV's, motorcycles, mountain bikes, snowmobiles). One of the more significant land use regulations affecting hunters is a vehicle ban in certain areas. Within State Wildlife Areas, federal wilderness and research areas, and specially-designated portions of National Forest, vehicle access is commonly banned either seasonally or year-round. The purpose of those regulations includes public safety and the protection of natural resources from public over-use and abuse.

The Tribal Council recognizes that requiring compliance with nondiscriminatory federal, state, and local land use regulations in the Brunot Area as a matter of Tribal law may limit or interfere somewhat with the exercise of the Tribe's Brunot Agreement rights by tribal members, but the Tribal Council finds that requiring compliance with such regulations as a matter of Tribal law is an advisable exercise of Tribal sovereignty in the interest of comity and to:

- Avoid the applicability of such regulations to Brunot Area hunting and fishing from being determined in federal or state court,
- Avoid potential litigation with an uncertain result,
- Avoid potential intergovernmental conflicts.

Such regulations, therefore, shall apply to tribal member Brunot Area hunting and fishing as a matter of Tribal law. The Tribal Council reserves the right to create exceptions to the general applicability of such regulations to tribal member Brunot Area hunting and fishing.

It is the responsibility of tribal member Brunot Area hunters and anglers to know and understand the various land use regulations that are in place and enforced within the Brunot Area. Violations of the regulations are not only violations of Tribal law, but also may constitute violations of state and/or federal law, and, therefore may be prosecuted in Tribal, state, or federal court. In a state or federal prosecution for violation of such regulations, therefore, it may be an ineffective defense to assert that the tribal member was exercising Brunot Agreement rights, since those regulations are applicable as a matter of Tribal law. Hunters and anglers should contact the Tribe's Wildlife Management Division or other appropriate management agencies for more information on applicable land use regulations (e.g., U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, Colorado State Parks, Colorado Division of Wildlife, etc.).

SEARCH AND RESCUE

The Colorado Outdoor Recreation Search and Rescue (CORSAR) card is a means to voluntarily participate in funding the cost of missions, training, and equipment for search and rescue efforts in Colorado. In the event that a card holder is lost or injured in the back country, the county Sheriff can be reimbursed for the costs of a search and rescue mission for that person. The CORSAR card costs \$3.00 for one year, or \$12.00 for five years. Two-thirds of the revenue go to the CORSAR fund, while one-third is retained by card vendors. The CORSAR card can be purchased from local outdoors and sporting goods stores.

GUIDING & OUTFITTER

A "guide" or "outfitter" is a person who accepts compensation for (1) guiding, leading, packing, protecting, supervising, instructing, or training persons in the take or attempted take of wildlife, or (2) providing facilities (e.g., tents, cabins, camp gear, food, or similar supplies, equipment, or accommodations), equipment or services for hunting activities, including but not limited to the transportation of individuals, equipment, supplies, or wildlife by means of vehicle, vessel, or pack animal.

The guiding and outfitting of a Tribal Member Brunot Area hunter requires special authorization of the guide/outfitter from either the Tribe OR State and Federal authorities, depending on (1) the SUIT member status of the guide, or (2) whether the hunter is hunting under authority of a Tribal or State hunting permit.

If a hunter with a Tribal Brunot hunting permit wants to utilize the service of a *Tribal Member* guide/outfitter, this guide/outfitter must first be permitted by the Tribe, per Tribal permitting requirements, and the guide/outfitter must comply with the Tribe's established guiding and outfitting rules and regulations. More information on these requirements and regulations is available through the Tribe's Division of Wildlife office.

If the hunter wants to utilize the service of a *non-SUIT member* guide/outfitter, OR if the hunter is hunting under the authority of a State hunting permit, the guide/outfitter must comply with all applicable State and Federal permitting requirements and regulations pertaining to guiding and outfitting. The Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) and/or the U.S. Forest Service should be contacted for more information.

The terms "hunting" and "fishing", as they relate to guiding and outfitting, are used interchangeably.

Things to ask to be sure your guide/outfitter is legal:

- Do you have the appropriate Tribal/State/Federal Permits
- What are your permit and/or registration numbers?
- Will we be hunting on public lands at any time?
- Do you have a Bureau of Land Management or U.S. Forest Service Permit?

Indications of an illegal outfitter:

- The outfitter does not provide you with a written contract
- The outfitter counsels you not to talk to state or federal officers or asks you to say you're just friends or family hunting together.

Verify an outfitter as legal:

- Contact the SU Wildlife Division for information on Tribal guides and outfitters
- Contact the Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies to verify a non-Southern Ute Tribal member guide or outfitter www.dors.state.co.us/outfitters
- Contact the Colorado Outfitters Association www.coloradooutfitters.org

If you suspect illegal guiding and outfitting contact the Southern Ute Wildlife Division immediately for assistance. Illegal guiding and outfitting is a serious offense and can have severe consequences for you and the guide/outfitter involved in the activity. The above information is provided to keep you safe and legal while hunting on and off the reservation.

INCORPORATION OF ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS BY REFERENCE

The following sections of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Wildlife Conservation Code, as amended and published as of the date of adoption of this Proclamation, are adopted by the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council and incorporated by reference into this Brunot Area Hunting and Fishing Proclamation. The purpose of the incorporation is to provide for the applicability of the incorporated sections to tribal member Brunot Area hunting and fishing notwithstanding any on-Reservation applicability limitation that may be expressed or implied in those sections. All tribal members who wish to hunt or fish in the Brunot Area must comply with the requirements set forth in the incorporated sections. The regulations contained in this Proclamation shall govern in the event of any conflict with the requirements contained in the incorporated sections.

Definitions, Organization, Regulations

Article 1 (except for §13-1-106)

- Section 13-2-105: Denial, Suspension and Revocation of Permit Privileges
- Section 13-2-106: Administrative Appeal
- Section 13-2-107: Judicial Review
- Article 3: Offenses
- Article 4: Penalties and Procedures
- Article 5: Evidence and Additional Penalties

JURISDICTION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Tribe and State of Colorado have a shared responsibility for establishing appropriate hunting and fishing regulations for the hunters and fishermen under their respective authorities in the Brunot Area, as well as for enforcing those regulations. It is the Tribe's intent to provide a law enforcement presence in the Brunot Area utilizing Southern Ute Tribal Rangers.

Tribal hunters and anglers are likely to encounter both Tribal and State law enforcement officers while in the Brunot Area, and should be prepared to show appropriate identification and permits, if requested by any law enforcement officer. In general, if a violation of a Tribal wildlife regulation has been committed by a Tribal-permitted hunter or angler, that hunter or angler shall be subject to Tribal citation and prosecution in Tribal Court.

Tribal hunters and anglers are required to carry with them their Tribal identification cards as proof of Tribal-enrolled status.

BRUNOT AREA CONTACT INFORMATION

Emergency Numbers

Southern Ute Tribe Dispatch
(any time)
970-563-4401

Colorado State Patrol
(any time)
970-249-4392

Colorado Division of Wildlife
Any Service Center during regular hours.
See phone numbers listed below.

General Hunting/Fishing Information

Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Division of Wildlife Resource Management
116 Mouache Drive, Ignacio, CO 81137
970-563-0130

Colorado Division of Wildlife
Southwest Region Service Center
151 East 16th St., Durango, CO 81301
970-247-0855

Colorado Division of Wildlife
Montrose Service Center
300 W. New York Ave., Gunnison, CO 81230
970-641-7060

Colorado Division of Wildlife
Gunnison Service Center
2300 S. Townsend Ave., Montrose, CO 81401
970-252-6000

Federal Lands Offices

San Juan Public Lands Center (BLM/USFS)
15 Burnett Court, Durango, CO 81301
970-247-4874

San Luis Valley Public Lands Center (BLM/USFS)
1803 W. Hwy 160, Monte Vista, CO 81144
719-852-5941

Grand Mesa-Uncomp.-Gunnison Nat'l Forests
2250 Highway 50, Delta, CO 81416
970-874-6600

Gunnison Field Office (USFS)
216 N. Colorado, Gunnison, CO 81230
970-641-0471

Columbine Field Office (BLM/USFS)
29211 Hwy. 184, Dolores, CO 81323
970-884-2512

Dolores Public Lands Office (BLM/USFS)
367 Pearl St., Bayfield, CO 81222
970-882-7296

Del Norte Field Office (BLM/USFS)
13308 W. Hwy. 160, Del Norte, CO 81132
719-657-3321

Pagosa Field Office (BLM/USFS)
P.O. Box 310, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
970-264-2268

Uncompahgre Field Office (USFS)
2465 South Townsend Ave., Montrose, CO 81401
970-240-5300

2012 LAKE CAPOTE RECREATION AREA SCHEDULE & FEES



398 HWY 151
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
Phone #: (970) 883-2273

LAKE CAPOTE OPERATING SCHEDULE

Opening Day: April 12th, 2012

Initially, the Lake will operate on a 4 day a week schedule, Thursday through Sunday, until May 6th.

The 24/7, 7 days-a-week schedule begins Thursday, May 10th, 2012.

Gates will be open 24/7 until September 2nd.

September 6th through October 8th, Lake Capote will resume a Thursday through Sunday, 4 days-a-week schedule.

Closing Day: October 7th, 2012

Lake Capote is regularly stocked with rainbow trout, brown trout, largemouth bass and catfish.

Southern Ute Tribal Members receive free fishing & camping.

(Not including Derby permits & RV sites)

- **New Shade Structures & Docks**
- **Night Fishing when advertised**
- **Tribal Members receive 50% off RV sites**
- **More food items & fishing supplies available at Bait Shop**

2012 Lake Capote Permit Fees

(Fishing Bag Limit: 3 trout, 1 catfish, all fish 16" or larger and largemouth bass are catch and release only)

Adult Fishing: \$8
Youth Fishing: \$4
Derby Permit: \$13
Tent Site: \$13
RV Site (elec. & water): \$20
Day Use (1st ½ hour free): \$3
(Call for weekly RV discounts or for promotional offers to rent the entire campground for special events)

** Night fishing will also be back this summer **



Southern Ute Royalty

Quarterly Reports

Little Miss Southern Ute Alternate 2011-2012
Yllana Howe



Hello,
My name is Yllana Howe, I am Little Miss Southern Ute Alt. 2011-2012. I would like to let you know what I have been doing for the last 3 months. Well I have been learning how to Fancy Dance, I practice at home and at some of the Powwows I attend. I have helped out with the Royalty Etiquette workshops with the other Royalty and the committee. I attended the Denver Indian Center Powwow on March 3rd, 2012. Next, I look forward to attending Denver March with my family and other Royalty.

Thank you,
Yllana Howe
Little Miss Southern Ute Alternate
2011 – 2012

Junior Miss Southern Ute 2011-2012
Izabella Howe



Good day everyone,
I am Izabella Howe and Junior Miss Southern Ute 2011-2012. I have been doing some traveling this month with my family and Little Miss Southern Ute Alt. (my little sister). I have attended the Denver Indian Center Powwow on March 3rd, 2012 in Denver Colorado. The powwow was small but the people were very nice. I would like to thank Tony EagleFeather for including myself and my little sister Yllana in her give away. I have also helped with the Etiquette workshops our Royalty Committee planned. My future plans are to represent at Denver March and Gathering of Nations.

Thank you for your time,
Izabella Howe
Junior Miss Southern Ute
2011 – 2012

Birthday wishes and more

Happy 13th Birthday Son!
We love you!!
Love, Mom, Dad, Brother,
and your 3 crazy sisters!



Happy 17th Birthday Son!!
We Love you!!
Love, Mom, Dad,
your sidekick brother Serg,
and your 3 wild sisters!

Song of the Fifth Nation

I will not fight you and I will not hate you
I am a warrior and not a victim,
Take what you want from me-
I will laugh that I have something left
And I will stand my ground
I take my pain to the Creator-
You will find that there is no pain that can fell me.

Fate will not deter me
I choose who I am,
And I choose what I do.
Your control will not unhinge me,
I am a man/woman and I am a warrior
God's beauty has expressed itself in me.

In this world that conspires to distract us
From the truth of the unseen-
That shrinks our traditions
Into dust that blows away
We will not fall into decay-
My ancestors have danced beyond what exists,
We are descended from the Creator
And I will be no victim,
Regardless of what is left of me.

I strengthen myself
To prepare for the war of being different,
Purity of heart, of mind, or will-
I am walking soundly on the earth
I have the will to survive
The directions call out to receive me,
I will leave my woundedness behind.

Focus
Fast
Dance
Pray-
We choose honor,
The Creator calls to those who listen
And we will bring this world a new destiny.

I am descended from warriors
I choose to bring that back to me
I call back the power that has been left behind
We will walk away from this fight-
And decided that we become across this space
and time,
We have the power to be free.

There are no victims, only warriors-
Who stand on this earth and ask the Creator to
honor what we are
And protect what we become.
We have our ways and we own our struggles-
We can find our own way home.

Wendy Walton 2002
(With love to those who fight these battles)
wendywalton@rocketmail.com

Express Your Opinions

Pennies for Patients a success
Ignacio Elementary School students earned a total of \$1042.39 for the Pennies for Patients drive during the month of February.

Ten third-grade girls, as a part of a friendship group at IES, sponsored the drive with the support of the school counselor. The girls paired off and chose a

grade level to be responsible for.

They presented in each classroom, educating other students as to the importance of cancer awareness and assisting with the fight against cancer. Elementary students brought change and bills from home using cardboard carrying cases provided by the Rocky Mountain Chapter of the Leukemia

and Lymphoma Society.

The top earning class brought in over \$200 in less than three weeks! We have an extraordinarily generous student body and community, who in the past 30 days demonstrated a simply remarkable sense of empathy!

Cindy Phillips
Ignacio School District

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Who am I?

Digging deeper into the Trinity of God

By Tim Yaw
Nuuciu Bible Baptist Church

Hasn't our investigation into the source of genuine love revealed so much about our living and active Creator?

So far, we have learned who God is and his desire for his human creation by using reason, which led to factual evidence. This makes the secular notion that Christianity is simply "blind faith" unacceptable.

Past articles have proven that God has a personality which he has revealed to us through the design and wonder of nature, the complexity of his living creatures and by his walking with his creation as the God-man, Jesus Christ. These attributes of intelligence, power and compassion all center around love, because that's who God is: love.

This investigation has evidenced his love as being sacrificial by putting other's needs and feelings before his own. When we entered this world with a nature bent toward sin, we fell under condemnation of God because we violated his standards of moral living. We saw previously that the penalty for these prideful violations is eternal separation from God, unless the problem is rectified.

Only a sinless human can have the desired relationship required by God. Because of God's perfect righteousness he is not able to fellowship with righteous imperfection. On the basis of his wondrous love, God compassionately left his realm of glory and entered into his unholy creation as a sinless man, Jesus Christ, in order to take on himself the sin of mankind and pay the death penalty for that sin.

Quite an act of sacrificial love, wasn't it? Through belief in this action of atonement and a willingness to turn from our sin and turn to God, mankind is reconciled into the desired relationship with God. Several issues back we found that when this belief in Jesus is genuinely confessed, the Holy Spirit of God indwells the believer by enhancing, enlightening and empowering him or her.

So, previously having found out about our true self by answering the three universal questions of our existence (Where did I come from? What is my purpose? Where is my soul going after my body dies?), let's look deeper into this creator who sacrificed for us and desires to be personally known and loved.

We established early in our investigation that by definition and reason there can only be one God and in the last issue we proved there is only one way to have a loving relationship with him. With this in mind, let's look into how God accomplished his plan of reconciliation with mankind.

God is eternal (not limited, as humans are, to time, matter, energy and space) and he exists within himself. God's nature centers on love and is manifested to us through three persons who all consist of the same nature. These persons are God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

Theologians refer to this as the Holy Trinity. Imagine a circle, which we will call God and his sphere of love. Inside the sphere are the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit existing in love. We can call the Father the lover, the Son the lovee, and the Holy Spirit the spirit of love. Keep in mind that these persons exist of the same nature of God and are equal to each other because they are God.

Through this love, God used the Father to create humans in his image. Because humans were created in God's image, let's now add mankind to the sphere of love. Satan, who is a created spiritual being, was created originally through love but became prideful resulting in his desire to be God. In an attempt to control the Father's human creation, Satan successfully tempted the first man and woman into thinking they could also be God.

This prideful act severed the loving relationship with God because the man and woman then loved themselves more than God. This caused them to be ejected from the sphere of love and every human born since is born outside of the sphere because of their prideful nature, making them unrighteous and separating them from a relationship with God.

Because it requires a sinless human to be in a relationship with God, in an act of sacrificial love, he sent the Son, Jesus Christ, to be that sinless man. Jesus took on himself the sin of all mankind and died with that sin, reconciling man to God.

Previously we found that Jesus was 100 percent man while being 100 percent God when he walked the earth. After his sacrificial death and burial, God bodily raised Jesus from the grave and he now mediates between man and God. Genuine belief in Jesus' act makes us righteous in God's sight.

When people believe and put their faith in the Son's atonement and choose to let God live through them, the Holy Spirit enters into that believer and becomes the righteous life of which the human soul is incapable. He controls the unholy desires of the soul as well as the depraved desires of the physical body.

God's Holy Spirit also strengthens believers, enabling them to resist the evil temptations of Satan. This reconciliation to God is called salvation because prideful humans are saved from the torment of being separated from God forever.

Now we can place genuine believers back into the sphere of love where God originally intended them to be. You see, we exist under a law of opposites, which means for everything there is an exact opposite. The opposite of light is dark, the opposite of hot is cold. So if there is good, there has to be evil. If there is a sphere of love (and there is, it's called Heaven), there is also a sphere of hate (it is called Hell).

We have proven, because of pride in ourselves, humans are not good, thus making us evil. Remembering that the soul is the real person and if our evil soul is not rectified by admitting our shortcoming to God and believing in his plan of salvation, the unregenerate soul will spend forever inside the sphere of hate.

God has proven himself to you through this investigation and now it is your responsibility to receive his generous gift of reconciliation, which is the only way that allows him to share his sacrificial love with you.

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Public notice

The Southern Ute Tribe's Department of Natural Resources, is in the process of putting address signs for Southern Ute Tribal members living within the boundaries of the Reservation. The long standing and growing concern is from emergency service providers and law enforcement regarding 911 addressing issues and response time. There are precious minutes lost when emergency response units are dispatched to the wrong address. The Department of Natural Resources reminds all, these signs are the property of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Please do not remove these sign, each sign has a purpose. For 911 emergency systems to dispatch emergency service providers to the proper physical address. If you have any questions, please contact Eddie Box, Jr., DNR Information Systems Manager at 970-563-0125 ext. 2232.

Requests for bids

HEALTH AND WELLNESS POWWOW COMMITTEE CATERING SERVICES FOR HEALTH AND WELLNESS POWWOW

The Health and Wellness Powwow committee is now accepting bids for catering for the upcoming Health and Wellness Powwow, taking place Oct. 20, 2012. All bids must be turned in, in writing, by July 1, to be considered. A menu must be planned, included with the specific recipes. Catering will be planned for 500 people, for the meal break at 5 p.m. at the Sky Ute Fairgrounds. Preference will be given to caterers and their servers/helpers who have food handlers certificates, or able to obtain prior to the event. Each interested caterer will be asked to turn in two bids, 1 will include set-up and clean up of all meal related items, 2 the other bid should be for cooking and food preparation only (committee and volunteers can be responsible for set up and clean up). If interested in catering this event, please contact Robert Howe at 970-563-0100, ext. 2458 or call the Southern Ute Shining Mountain Diabetes program at 970-563-4741.

Requests for proposals

HEALTH CLINIC vs. WELLNESS CENTER NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND FEASIBILITY STUDY

OWNER
Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Tribal Planning Department
P. O. Box 737
116 Mouache Drive
Ignacio, Colorado 81137
(970) 563-4749

Separate sealed proposals to be received for the Health Clinic vs. Wellness Center Needs Assessment and Feasibility Study by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe at the Tribal Planning Department office located at 116 Mouache Drive in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until 2 p.m. on Friday, May 18, 2012. Bids received after this time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. A mandatory pre-submittal meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 18, 2012 at 2 p.m. To receive a RFP Packet contact the Tribal Planning Department at the address and/or number indicated above. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has adopted a Tribal Employment Rights Code, which provides for Indian preference in contracting and employ-

ment. To receive a copy of the Code, or for more information, contractors should contact the Southern Ute TERO Office at 970-563-0117. For the purposes of this RFP, Qualified local Indian Owned Businesses certified through Southern Ute TERO Office will receive preference in accordance with the Code. A TERO Certified Indian Owned Business will, if its initial bid is not within 5% of the lowest bid by a qualified, non-certified or non-Indian owned business, be given a single opportunity to submit a revised bid. Proof of certification as an Indian Owned Business by the Tribe's TERO Office will be required if claiming this preference. The Code will apply to all sub-contracting, if any, which may be needed in the course of this project. In addition, pursuant to the Code, the successful contractor may be required to pay a TERO fee in the amount of 2% of the total project cost. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive any informality in proposals and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Requests for proposals

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE DESIGN BUILD SERVICES FOR THE JUSTICE CENTER FIRE IMPROVEMENTS

OWNER
Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Construction & Project Management Dept.
P.O. Box 737
116 Mouache Drive
Ignacio, Colorado 81137
970-563-0138

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for a Design Build team to submit proposals for the Justice Center Fire Improvements project located at 149 CR 517, Ignacio, CO 81137. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management Department

located at 116 Mouache Drive in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until 2 p.m. MDT, Friday, April 6, 2012. Proposals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Contact April Toledo for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-0138 or atoledo@southern-ute.nsn.us. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian Owned businesses. For information on certification, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

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Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Environmental Programs Division
P.O. Box 737
116 Mouache Drive
Ignacio, Colorado 81137
970-563-0135
Contact: Brett Francois, or Bob Kilian

Separate sealed bids to provide environmental consulting services at an EPA Brownfields site located in La Plata County will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe at the Environmental Programs Division located at 116 Mouache Drive in Ignacio, CO 81137 until April 25, 2012. Bids received after this time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. A mandatory pre-submittal meeting is scheduled for April 11, 2012 at 10 a.m. in the Annex Building, 2nd Floor, 1 Conference Room, 116 Mouache Drive, Ignacio, Colorado 81137. A site visit will follow the meeting.

The Request for Proposals may be picked up at the Environmental Programs Division, 116 Mouache Drive, Ignacio, CO during the hours of 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday – Friday or you may contact Bob Kilian at 970-563-0135 or bkilian@southern-ute.nsn.us. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's TERO code has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. A bid preference will be given to any qualified Native American owned company. To receive this preference, Native American owned businesses must be certified by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's TERO. Any Native American owned business not certified by the due date will not be given a preference. For information on certification, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.



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970-563-9998, 355 Goddard Ave., jquintana1952@yahoo.com, 11a-8p
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diamondlady@frontier.net
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Southern Ute Growth Fund - Job Announcements

Obtain complete job descriptions and applications from the Growth Fund Human Resources, 14933 Hwy. 172 • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO • 970-563-5064 • rtaylor@sugf.com
Tribal Member Employment Preference, Must Pass Pre-employment Drug Test & Criminal History.

Administrative Assistant
Closing date 3/26/12 – Red Willow Production Co. Houston, TX. Responsible for reception, general office and clerical support for office while maintaining an orderly and efficient office environment.

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Closing date 3/28/12 – Red Willow Production Co. Ignacio, CO. Monitor natural gas production volumes, nominate natural gas to gas gathering and transportation pipelines, maintain gathering and transportation contracts.

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Closing date 3/30/12 – SU Shared Service Ignacio, CO. Responsible for analyzing, maintaining and developing reports, and maintaining the Business Objects reporting system, supports customers’ business goals, assists reporting end users and staff in Business Objects operation and maintenance, including development, backups, and disaster recovery.

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Southern Ute Indian Tribe

Please refer to the complete Job Announcement and Requirements in the Human Resources Dept. P.O. Box 737 • Ignacio, CO 81137 • www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs
Phone: 970-563-0100 • Fax: 970-563-0396 • Hotline: 970-563-4777
*Human Resources accepts applications for Temporary Employment on an on-going basis.

Motor Pool Division Head Apprentice
Southern Ute Tribal members only
Closing date 4/9/12
This position was developed in order to train a Southern Ute Tribal Member to become fully competent in all the essential duties and responsibilities of the Motor Pool Division Head. With the experience to perform: instruct service personnel on repairs, insure all work is checked and out in a timely manner. Time frame for this program is (12) months, unless there are circumstances requiring an extension or reduction. This position will start at 20% below entry level for the positon and receive quarterly evaluations.

Woodyard Secretary Apprentice
Southern Ute Tribal members only
Closing date 4/9/12
This program is developed in order to train a Southern Ute Tribal Member to acquire the skills needed to perform the duties as Wood Yard Department Secretary, with the experience to perform reporting, scheduling, filing, and procurement. During this time Apprentice will be under the supervision of the Wood Yard Department Supervisor. This position will start at 7% below entry level for the positon and receive quarterly evaluations.

Multi-Purpose/Memorial Chapel/Ute Park Administrative Assistant/Coordinator Trainee
Southern Ute Tribal members only
Closing date 4/9/12
Assists the Multi-Purposes/Chapel/Ute Park Facility Operations Manager with the operations and internal coordination of activities and basic office management. Responsible for assisting in the oversight and coordination of all regularly scheduled events and special events for the Multi-Purpose Facility, Chapel, and Ute Park. This position will start at 10% below entry level for the position and receive quarterly evaluations.

Youth in Natural Resources Crew Members
Southern Ute and local native High School students only
Open until filled
Youth in Natural Resources (YNR) is an environmental educational program provided by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. The mission of YNR Program is to foster an interest in and sense of stewardship toward our natural resources by providing an environmental education component and opportunities for summer employment in natural resource management. Through the program, participants receive hands-on work experience, environmental education, and field trip opportunities. Pay grade 11.

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KSUT Board vacancies

KSUT is seeking two tribal members to fill vacancies on its board of directors. These are non-paid positions that require attending board meetings every month, with additional special meetings as needed. KSUT is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Please send a letter of interest to Eddie Box Jr. at KSUT, P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Powwow Committee vacancy

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has four Powwow Committee Member vacancies. Must be an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members or a Native American community member. Members serve on a voluntary basis. The responsibility of the Southern Ute Indian Powwow Committee is to promote the traditions and culture of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe through powwows. All interests individuals are urged to submit a letter of intent to Personnel Department in the Leonard C. Burch Tribal Administration Building.

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**In the Estate of, Case No.: 2012-PR-018
NOTICE OF PROBATE
Jimmy Dondi Paul, Deceased**
Notice to: Heirs, devisees, legatees, creditors and all other persons claiming an interest in said estate: The Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, Ignacio, CO. Greetings: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on **April 2, 2012 at 10:30 a.m.** All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein necessary.
Dated this 16th day of February, 2012. BY THE COURT, Janie Herrera, Deputy Court Clerk

**In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2012-NC-019
NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE
Walter Jim Reynolds Jr., Civil Subject**
Notice is hereby given that Walter Jim Reynolds Jr. has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Walter Jim Roubideaux Reynolds Jr. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than **April 8, 2012 at 5 p.m.** If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.
Dated this 9th day of February, 2012. BY THE COURT, Karla Tucson, Deputy Court Clerk

**In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2012-NC-020
NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE
Walter Darwin Reynolds III, Civil Subject**
Notice is hereby given that Walter Darwin Reynolds III has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Walter Darwin Roubideaux Reynolds III. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than **April 8, 2012 at 5 p.m.** If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.
Dated this 9th day of February, 2012. BY THE COURT, Karla Tucson, Deputy Court Clerk

**In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2012-NC-027
NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE
Jaela L. Rae Porambo, Civil Subject**
Notice is hereby given that Jaela L. Rae Porambo has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Jaela Lucinda Rae Velasco. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than **April 8, 2012 at 5 p.m.** If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.
Dated this 22nd day of February, 2012. BY THE COURT, Karla Tucson, Deputy Court Clerk

**In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2012-NC-028
NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE
Kylan Porambo, Civil Subject**
Notice is hereby given that Kylan Porambo has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Kylan Jacob Velasco. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than **April 8, 2012 at 5 p.m.** If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.
Dated this 22nd day of February, 2012. BY THE COURT, Karla Tucson, Deputy Court Clerk

**In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2012-NC-022
NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE
Erika Jennifer Mayanda Gre Mi Antoinette Goodtracks, Civil Subject**
Notice is hereby given that Erika Jennifer Mayanda Gre Mi Antoinette Goodtracks has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Jennifer Mayanda-Gre-Mi Antoinette Goodtracks. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than **April 15, 2012 at 5 p.m.** If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.
Dated this 13th day of February, 2012. BY THE COURT, Karla Tucson, Deputy Court Clerk

**In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 12NC012
NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE
Jaiden Werito, Civil Subject**
Notice is hereby given that Jaiden Werito filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Jaiden Jose Gomez. As of March 12, 2012 no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Jaiden Werito name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Jaiden Jose Gomez.
**Dated this 14th day of March, 2012.
Chantel Cloud, Southern Ute Tribal Judge**

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Our Sister’s Keeper Coalition and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe TERO office are accepting applications for an individual interested in completing a training program within our organization. Our Sister’s Keeper is a tribal coalition assisting survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking. Applicants must be at least eighteen years old; have the desire to stop violence; have some computer knowledge; demonstrate a professional attitude; have some office management skills; willingness to work various hours as needed. Applicant must NOT have current crimes associated with violence or crimes against children. Applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent. Applicant must have a current drivers license and be able to transport clients. All applicants will be subject to a background investigation and drug testing. Please contact Our Sister’s Keeper for the complete job announcement and qualifications at 970-259-2519. TERO Preference applies.

Sky Ute Casino Resort

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Open until filled – SUCAP Head Start
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Open until filled – SUCAP Head Start
Weekdays, assist staff in preparing meals for children and adults. Will maintain kitchen cleanliness, exp. cooking for large groups preferred. Must be able to lift at least 30 pounds/ pass background checks/obtain food handlers permit. Regular, dependable attendance a must.

Residential Assistant
Open until filled – SUCAP Peaceful Spirit
FT, must have HS Diploma/GED, 2 yrs of continuous sobriety. Must be available to work weekends, nights, midnight shifts, irregular shifts and holidays. Must pass criminal history background check.

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Garcia shares health, success tips with Intermediate students



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Pro boxer Elco Garcia of Ignacio shakes hands with Ignacio Intermediate School students following a health presentation at the school on Tuesday, March 20.

By Ace Stryker
The Southern Ute Drum

Just four nights before his headline match at the Sky Ute Casino Resort, pro boxer and Ignacio resident Elco Garcia admitted to being more nervous about his presentation to a group of 10-year-olds at Ignacio Intermediate School.

Garcia (pro record: 25-8-0) will take on Las Vegas native Antonio Mesquita (32-2-0) in the Saturday, March 24 “March Mayhem” event in the casino’s Events Center. But on Tuesday,

March 20, the self-professed “very shy” pugilist’s nerves were being tested not by the prospect of trading blows with a guy with 27 knockouts, but by a few dozen kids with questions about how much his gloves weigh and whether he wears regular shoes in the ring.

Some questions, admittedly, were a little more piercing, such as one student’s inquiry: “Do you ever doubt yourself?”

“Sometimes,” Garcia conceded, adding that he tries to keep himself ready at all times, following a grueling training

routine that calls for a 4-to-5-mile run in the morning, a series of other workouts, and another run in the evening. “I’m not that good, but I’m learning every day.”

Garcia, who began boxing in 1996, demonstrated several training techniques, including a fast-and-furious jump rope routine that drew wild applause from the students. The focus of his presentation, though, was a simple message repeated often: “Say no to drugs and you guys will be successful in life.”

“Whatever you want, you have

to work hard for it,” Garcia said. “Study hard this week for your finals ... and say no to drugs.”

Garcia, in closing, also thanked several Southern Ute tribal members for their sponsorship, including Byron Frost, Brian Frost and Elta Frost.

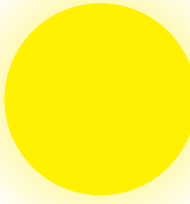


Elco Garcia (above) gets laced up for a sparring demonstration at Ignacio Intermediate School on Tuesday, March 20; Garcia’s punches come fast and furious when he practices with his trainer (below).



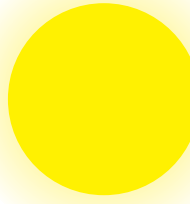
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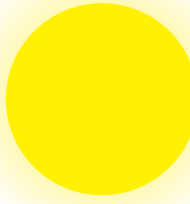
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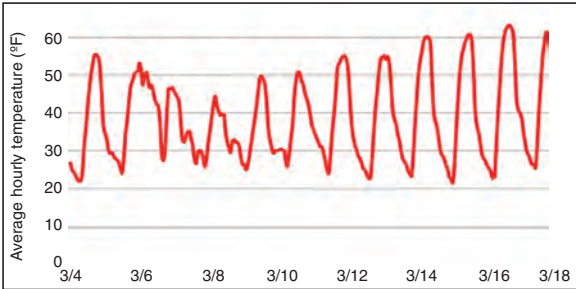
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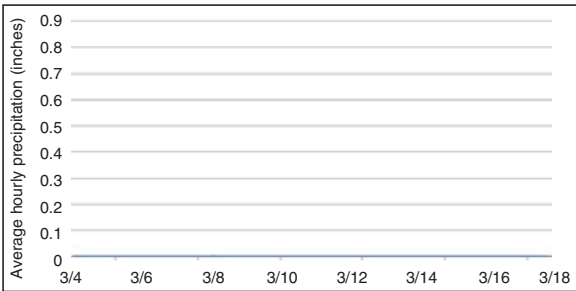


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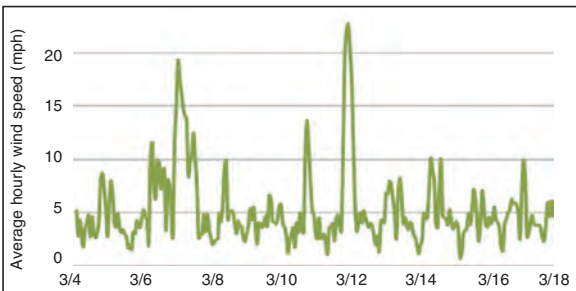
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Low 21.6°F
Average 38.5°F
Average last year 37.1°F



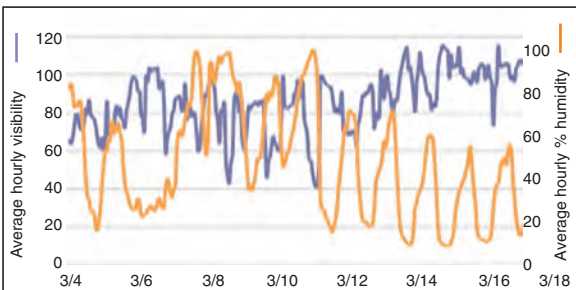
Precipitation

Total 0.00 inches
Total last year 1.35 inches



Wind speed

Average 5.3 mph
Minimum 0.8 mph
Maximum 22.7 mph



Visibility & humidity

Avg. visibility 85.4
Avg. humidity 47.3%

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